

SUPPLEMENTAL LANGUAGE REPORT

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTING LANGUAGE (SRL)

Background

In September 2023, the California Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) published a request for programmatic data via the Supplemental Report of the 2023-24 Budget Act¹. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) was assigned to report on the California Community Transitions (CCT) project.

CCT Project

The CCT is a demonstration project supported by both the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the State of California. CCT provides Medi-Cal members residing in institutional settings for stays of longer than 60 days with the opportunity and choice to transition back to their home or other community-based setting to receive the care and support that is medically necessary to maintain them in their home and community.

Some of the available services include:

- » Assistive devices
- » Habilitation
- » Home modification
- » Home set-up
- » Family and informal caregiver training
- » Personal care services
- » Vehicle adaptations

Reporting Requirements

Per the published guidance,¹ the LAO requested CCT data on the following variables:

- » Reimbursement rates;
- » Participant demographic information; and
- » Project expenses.

¹ [Supplemental Report of the 2023-24 Budget Act \(ca.gov\)](#)

The sections below list the applicable CCT information.

CCT Data

Reimbursement Rates

The LAO requested information pertaining to the reimbursement rates for each year since 2014. Table 1 provides this data.

Table 1. CCT Reimbursement Rates from 2014 to 2023

Cal. Yr.	Transition Case Mgt (Per Hour)	Family Training (Per 15 Minutes)	Home Mod. (Lifetime Max \$7,500)	Quality of Life Surveys	Personal Care (Per 15 Minutes)	Habilitation (Per 15 Minutes)	Specialized Supply (Lifetime Max \$7,500)	Community Transition (Lifetime Max \$7,500)	Vehicle Mod. (Lifetime Max \$12,000)
2014	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2015	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2016	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2017	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2018	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2019	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2020	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2021	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2022	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$3.62	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000
2023	\$45.43	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$100	\$4.84	\$11.36	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$12,000

Methodology

To calculate the preceding reimbursement rates for each year since 2014, DHCS extracted data from:

- » Data Warehouse: DHCS extracted all claims and service units for CCT procedure codes G9012 U6, S5111 U6, S5165 HT, S5190 TS, T1019 U6, T2017 U6, T2028 U6, T2038 HT, & T2039 U6.

- » *ISCD CCT Database*: The department extracted CCT enrollees/participant CINs, 1st Assessment Dates, Enrollment End Dates, and Participant End Dates.

Upon extracting the data, DHCS compared the MIS/DSS service dates to CCT enrollment dates and identified all claims specific to the CCT program. Additionally, the department calculated the paid rate by dividing the Medi-Cal reimbursement amount by the total units for each claim. Moreover, the Mode was used to determine the reported paid rate for each calendar year.

Reviews and Analysis

As previously noted, the reimbursement rates for each year since 2014 were extracted from the Data Warehouse (i.e., MIS/DSS) (e.g., claims) and ISCD CCT Database (e.g., CCT participants). Furthermore, the data was pulled from the approved CCT rates from 1/1/2014 and 11/15/2023.

Past Adjustments

Prior to 2023, DHCS has not adjusted the CCT reimbursement rates.

Transition Coordination Rate

In 2007, DHCS developed and implemented a transition reimbursement rate. The rate was \$45.43 per hour of transition case management rendered.

In addition, the LAO requested that DHCS provide for each year the Medi-Cal reimbursement rates for skilled nursing facilities (SNF). Table 2 lists the estimated weighted average statewide rate for the skilled nursing facilities (SNF), for rate years (RY) 2014-15 through RY 2023. Pursuant to the Medi-Cal Long-Term Care Reimbursement Act (Welfare & Institutions Codes sections 14126 - 14126.036), SNF rates are updated annually on a facility-specific basis based on audited cost reports subject to peer group and state-wide cost growth limits.

Table 2. SNF Reimbursement Rates for RY 2014-15 to RY 2023

Rate Year²	Estimated Medi-Cal Weighted Average Rate³
RY 2014-15	\$186.34
RY 2015-16	\$197.27
RY 2016-17	\$203.92
RY 2017-18	\$208.20
RY 2018-19	\$218.57
RY 2019-20	\$227.92
RY 2019-20 (COVID Increase)	\$250.85
Bridge Period 2020 (COVID Increase)	\$262.56
CY2021 (COVID Increase)	\$271.39
CY2022 (COVID Increase)	\$279.42
CY2023 (COVID Increase)	\$296.61

Actively Enrolled CCT Participant Demographics

The data provided below provides the demographics for the actively enrolled CCT service population. Table 4 lists the age groups, Table 5 lists the ethnicity, and Table 6 lists the primary language.

² Prior to January 1, 2021, Medi-Cal SNF rates were set on an August 1 to July 31 rate year. Beginning with 2021, the rate year aligns with the calendar year. The 2020 bridge period is from August 1 to December 31, 2020.

³ Weighted average rate is derived by (1) multiplying each facility-specific rate by Medi-Cal utilization projected for the facility at the time of the initial rate study and (2) dividing the sum by total Medi-Cal utilization projected for all facilities at the time of the initial rate study. The weighted average rate includes the Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) add-on for all rate years. The weighted average rate includes the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Temporary Rate Increase for dates of service March 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023. The weighted average rate does not reflect rate recomputations due to audit appeals and changes in ownership. The weighted average rate does not include the subacute level of care and distinct part skilled nursing units of hospitals.

Table 4. Age Groups for Actively Enrolled CCT Participants from January 1, 2014, to November 15, 2023.

Age Group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
0-9	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-19	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
20-29	21	21	19	26	15	11	8	11	9	8
30-39	46	45	48	48	37	24	23	38	54	31
40-49	116	116	111	96	81	52	43	64	98	77
50-59	333	328	380	390	333	169	161	203	358	258
60-69	425	421	541	616	496	255	322	444	760	540
70-79	281	276	320	379	308	151	182	282	539	414
80-89	145	142	178	204	152	69	76	100	307	298
90+	41	40	51	68	43	14	20	27	76	84
Grand Total	1,412	1,393	1,648	1,827	1,466	745	835	1,169	2,202	1,710

Table 5. Ethnicity for Actively Enrolled CCT Participants from January 1, 2014, to November 15, 2023.

Ethnicity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Alaskan Native or American Indian	11	8	9	9	8	4	2	5	7	10
Asian Indian	3	3	2	4	5	2	0	3	4	4
Black	247	238	266	288	223	143	137	166	308	202
Cambodian	1	1	4	2	0	0	0	2	4	4
Chinese	13	7	7	20	15	8	3	7	13	12
Filipino	6	11	21	30	23	10	10	15	30	16
Guamanian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Hawaiian	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hispanic	190	216	260	259	229	125	131	200	384	284
Japanese	1	5	7	11	4	2	1	1	4	6
Korean	4	11	14	12	20	5	1	4	7	7
Laotian	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Ethnicity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
No response, the client declined to state	248	248	307	369	274	131	187	249	477	382
Other	78	61	93	126	92	48	41	57	95	69
Other Asian or Pacific Islander	22	16	19	25	20	11	11	13	18	14
Samoaan	1	3	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	1
Vietnamese	6	7	8	9	6	1	1	2	11	17
White	579	556	630	661	545	255	309	445	838	680
Grand Total	1,412	1,393	1,648	1,827	1,466	745	835	1,169	2,202	1,710

Table 6. Primary Language for Actively Enrolled CCT Participants from January 1, 2014, to November 15, 2023.

Primary Language	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
American Sign Language (ASL)	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	1	1
Arabic	1	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	1	3
Armenian	1	2	11	3	3	0	3	4	7	3
Cambodian	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Cantonese	8	4	5	12	7	4	2	1	3	7
English	1,296	1,268	1,504	1,654	1,319	679	760	1,060	1,971	1,503
Farsi	3	8	8	6	2	1	2	0	8	14
Hmong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Japanese	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	1	2	3
Korean	5	15	10	16	22	7	0	2	5	6
Lao	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mandarin	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	1	5	9
Mien	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No response, the client	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

Primary Language	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
declined to state										
No Valid Data Reported (MEDS generated)	10	15	15	18	13	3	7	13	13	12
Other Chinese Languages	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0
Other Non-English	3	0	3	5	3	1	0	1	2	2
Other Sign Language	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Polish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Portuguese	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Russian	3	2	2	4	3	1	3	1	2	1
Spanish	62	64	71	80	72	39	45	72	154	118
Tagalog	4	5	7	10	8	5	4	5	8	4
Vietnamese	7	2	3	8	5	0	1	3	17	19
Grand Total	1,412	1,393	1,648	1,827	1,466	745	835	1,169	2,202	1,710

CCT Demographics for Transitioned Participants

The data provided below provides the demographics for the CCT service population that was transitioned to home and community facilities. Table 7 lists the age groups, Table 8 lists the ethnicity, and Table 9 lists the primary language.

Table 7. Age Groups for CCT Participants Transitioned between January 1, 2014, to November 15, 2023.

Age Group	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
0-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
10-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-29	4	7	5	3	0	0	2	5	2	2
30-39	28	23	21	14	12	5	4	9	5	7
40-49	39	23	33	25	22	9	15	18	23	25
50-59	72	83	55	46	64	23	34	42	80	75
60-69	141	140	144	134	188	48	110	154	251	153
70-79	132	123	118	124	128	54	79	140	214	167
80-89	83	71	55	59	50	21	40	54	133	125
90+	36	44	46	27	32	5	12	20	43	32
Grand Total	535	514	477	432	496	165	296	442	751	587

Table 8. Ethnicity for CCT Participants Transitioned between January 1, 2014, to November 15, 2023.

Ethnicity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Alaskan Native or American Indian	4	1	4	3	2	0	0	3	1	2
Asian Indian	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	2
Black	83	73	64	53	73	26	45	56	96	50
Cambodian	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Chinese	6	1	0	6	7	3	1	2	6	6
Filipino	4	3	6	6	7	2	3	7	7	4
Guamanian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Hawaiian	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic	64	62	76	65	61	29	52	74	115	115
Japanese	0	0	1	2	2	2	1	0	2	4
Korean	0	4	5	3	11	1	0	4	1	3
Laotian	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
No response, the client declined to state	121	133	126	115	97	28	63	93	173	133
Other	22	15	24	22	29	11	19	17	30	17

Ethnicity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Other Asian or Pacific Islander	6	11	4	7	9	0	4	5	4	6
Samoan	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Vietnamese	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	0	7	10
White	221	203	161	149	194	61	106	179	306	233
Unknown	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	535	514	477	432	496	165	296	442	751	587

Table 9. Primary Language for CCT Participants Transitioned between January 1, 2014, to November 15, 2023.

Primary Language	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
American Sign Language (ASL)	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Arabic	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Armenian	2	2	5	0	1	0	2	2	3	4
Cambodian	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cantonese	2	1	1	5	4	2	0	0	3	2
English	491	463	435	388	438	150	260	400	679	508
Farsi	0	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
Hmong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Japanese	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1
Korean	1	10	5	5	11	1	0	2	0	1
Lao	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mandarin	2	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	2	6
Mien	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No response, client declined to state	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
No Valid Data Reported (MEDS generated)	14	7	9	8	7	0	5	6	3	4
Other Chinese Languages	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Non-English	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0

Primary Language	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Other Sign Language	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Polish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Punjabi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Russian	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
Spanish	18	21	13	19	21	6	23	27	42	42
Tagalog	0	2	1	3	4	1	1	2	4	1
Turkish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Vietnamese	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	11	10
Grand Total	535	514	477	432	496	165	296	442	751	587

Note: CCT data for participants' gender identity and sexual orientation is not available.

Fiscal Information

Finally, the requested fiscal information on the CCT project is described below.

Total CCT Spending

The total spending on CCT demonstration services is provided in Table 10. CCT demonstration services are the services identified in Table 1.

Table 10. Total CCT Spending between January 1, 2014, to June 30, 2023.

Reporting Period	Total Computable	General Funds	Federal Funds
2014 Q1	\$622,991	\$77,387.75	\$445,603
2014 Q2	\$512,011	\$139,266.00	\$372,745
2014 Q3	\$420,848	\$86,523.25	\$334,325
2014 Q4	\$522,554	\$92,944.75	\$429,609
2015 Q1	\$495,861	\$77,416.25	\$418,445
2015 Q2	\$578,108	\$119,143.25	\$458,965
2015 Q3	\$593,038	\$113,641.75	\$479,396
2015 Q4	\$713,950	\$147,010.25	\$566,940
2016 Q1	\$471,975	\$87,440.00	\$384,535
2016 Q2	\$604,650	\$99,404.50	\$505,246
2016 Q3	\$1,210,322	\$195,333.50	\$1,014,989
2016 Q4	\$1,010,740	\$191,257.00	\$819,483

Reporting Period	Total Computable	General Funds	Federal Funds
2017 Q1	\$856,402	\$173,376.00	\$683,026
2017 Q2	\$881,465	\$120,185.75	\$761,279
2017 Q3	\$1,757,259	\$383,322.00	\$1,373,937
2017 Q4	\$765,561	\$173,153.00	\$592,408
2018 Q1	\$713,314	\$129,580.50	\$583,734
2018 Q2	\$1,409,681	\$172,644.25	\$1,237,037
2018 Q3	\$1,631,268	\$290,632.75	\$1,340,635
2018 Q4	\$785,117	\$165,009.75	\$620,107
2019 Q1	\$1,254,540	\$84,338.75	\$1,170,201
2019 Q2	\$307,758	\$73,834.00	\$233,924
2019 Q3	\$353,579	\$87,469.50	\$266,110
2019 Q4	\$489,740	\$88,615.50	\$401,125
2020 Q1	\$480,772	\$84,943.75	\$395,828
2020 Q2	\$452,698	\$86,084.96	\$366,613
2020 Q3	\$702,421	\$103,613.50	\$598,808
2020 Q4	\$650,605	\$104,964.95	\$545,640
2021 Q1	\$367,622	\$71,371.66	\$296,250
2021 Q2	\$394,303	\$59,389.95	\$334,913
2021 Q3	\$405,837	\$55,480.58	\$350,356
2021 Q4	\$988,771	\$190,272.24	\$798,499
2022 Q1	\$515,630	\$82,579.86	\$433,050
2022 Q2	\$395,659	\$78,782.18	\$316,877
2022 Q3	\$716,342	\$126,603.02	\$589,739
2022 Q4	\$1,369,827	\$276,131.84	\$1,093,695
2023 Q1	\$1,655,803	\$318,450.09	\$1,337,353
2023 Q2	\$1,060,758	\$163,625.19	\$897,133
Grand Total	\$29,119,780	\$5,271,224	\$23,848,556

Estimated CCT Costs

For fiscal year 2024-2025, the estimated cost for each 1 percent increase in CCT reimbursement rates is \$58,819. To develop this estimate DHCS forecasted 2024-2025 fiscal year Demonstration costs based on 2021-2024 fiscal year claims and added one percent to the projected 2024-2025 Demonstration costs and calculated the difference between the projected annual total with the one percent increase and projected annual total.

CONCLUSION

Upon receiving the Supplemental Report request, DHCS began assessing and analyzing the requested information. Should the LAO have any questions regarding this report, please reach out to:

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