

HUSKY Health Maternity Bundle Payment program

Doula Services Financial Flow Example

Developed for the HUSKY Health Maternity Bundle Payment Doula Integration Toolkit

Background for this document

The Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) plans to implement a Maternity Bundle Payment program (called “the bundle” for the remainder of this document) for the HUSKY Health program beginning January 2024, pending federal approval. The bundle is part of DSS’ overarching goal to move toward paying for equitable care in a value-based way. In addition to providing a new payment structure, DSS has allocated additional funds for doula and lactation services as an integral component of the bundle. Doula and lactation support services will be rendered and reimbursed under the medical provider through the bundled payment.

How to use this tool

Review an example of how the HUSKY Health program will pay an accountable provider (e.g., an obstetrician or midwife) under the bundle payment model. You may update input numbers as necessary to fit your practice specific doula needs.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total*
Input amounts:													
# births/mo	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	120
# caseload 2nd tri - 3 mos PP	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
Fixed/Calculated amounts:													
PMPM funding - individual	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21	\$21
Doula PMPM funding - individual	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14	\$14
Lactation PMPM funding - individual	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
Total funding available based on PMPM (includes doula + lactation)	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$1,890	\$22,680
Doula reimbursement**	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$14,400
Lactation funding***	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$630	\$7,560
PMPM funding available for doula services****	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$1,260	\$15,120
10% Utilization Scenario													
10% doula utilization	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Doula payment total for reconciliation**	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$14,400
Remaining PMPM funds**	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$720
<i>To be recouped by DSS at the time of retrospective reconciliation adjusted against potential shared savings</i>													
20% Utilization Scenario													
20% doula utilization	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	24
Doula payment total for reconciliation****	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$28,800
In excess of PMPM funds****	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$1,140	-\$13,680

To be paid by DSS at the time of retrospective reconciliation in conjunction with potential shared savings

*Assumes 12 months of year follows the same pattern

** DSS recommended reimbursement to provider based on four prenatal/post partum visits and attendance at labor and birth.

*** Amount of PMPM earmarked for lactation services, will not be recouped regardless of utilization

****Assumes full \$1,200 is paid to doula. Anticipate lower contracted rates for doulas to account for administrative overhead and oversight from medical practice.

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