

Provider Agreement Attachment A

Respite Care services are provided to consumers unable to care for themselves that are furnished on a short-term basis because of the absence or need for relief of those persons who normally provide care for the consumer. Federal Financial participation is not claimed for the cost of room and board except when provided as part of respite care furnished in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence. Respite Care may be provided to relieve informal caregivers from the daily stresses and demands of caring for a consumer in efforts to strengthen or support the informal support system. In addition to respite care provided in the elder's home or private place of residence, Respite Care services may be provided in the following locations:

- Respite Care in an **Adult Foster Care** Program provides personal care services in a family-like setting. A provider must meet the requirements set forth by MassHealth and must contract with MassHealth as an AFC provider.
- Respite Care in a **Hospital** is provided in licensed acute care medical/surgical hospital beds that have been approved by the Department of Public Health.
- Respite Care in a **Rest Home** provides residential care for clients in a supervised, supportive and protective environment. A Rest Home must be licensed by the Department of Public Health.
- Respite Care in a **Skilled Nursing Facility** provides skilled nursing care; rehabilitative services such as physical, occupational, and speech therapy; and assistance with activities of daily living such as eating, dressing, toileting and bathing. A nursing facility must be licensed by the Department of Public Health.
- Respite Care in an **Assisted Living Residence** provides personal care services by an entity certified by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.
- Respite Care in an **Adult Day Health** program provides an organized program of health care and supervision, restorative services, and socialization for elders who require skilled services or assistance with activities of daily living. Nutrition and personal care services are also provided to participants. Adult Day Health programs must be approved for operation by MassHealth.