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## 47. Specialized Skills Training

- (a) The Commission determines a prospective uniform reimbursement rate for the Texas Early Childhood Intervention Program (ECI) Medicaid programs. Early Childhood Intervention program providers are reimbursed according to the reimbursement methodology. The Commission determines the rate based on costs contained in the ECI providers' cost reports, which are reported on a quarterly basis. The recommended rate is determined in the following manner:
  - Salaries and benefits for staff delivering services are added to allocated costs for ECI overhead and host agency administration costs.
  - (2) These total costs for services are divided by the total direct service hours to calculate a cost per hour.
  - (3) The resulting total cost per hour for services is projected from the historical reporting period to the perspective rate period using the Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) Chain -Type Index.
  - (4) The projected total cost per hour for services is the proposed reimbursement rate. The reimbursement rate will be paid on an hourly basis, and will be pro-rated for 15-minute intervals.
  - (5) The provider's reported costs will be examined annually to determine if it is necessary to re-base the rate.
- (b) The Commission establishes the reimbursement rate following a public meeting after consideration of financial and statistical information and public testimony.
- (c) Effective October 1, 2011, a reimbursement rate is added to allow for the provision of specialized skills training in a group setting.
- (d) The rate of \$119.69 per hour, which has been in effect since October 1, 2006, is adjusted by applying inflation from federal fiscal year 2007 to federal fiscal year 2010 of 5.71 percent to calculate the individual rate of \$126.52 to be effective on or after March 15, 2010.
- (e) All fee schedules are available through the agency's website as outlined on Attachment 4.19-8, Page 1.

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