



Support HB3223 (LaPointe)
Increase the Adult Day Services Rate
***Immediate Need to Keep Home an Option for Seniors
and Their Family Caregivers***

What is the need?

Adult Day Services (ADS) are a vital component of support services that allow seniors to remain at home and/or receive care through their family; however, most Illinois Adult Day Care Centers are now operating at a loss all over Illinois due to significant inflation and rising staff costs. **In order for Adult Day Services to remain a viable option in the state of Illinois, an increase in two reimbursement rates is urgently needed.**

- **Rate increase to \$16.84 per hour** (currently \$15.30)
- **Rate of \$12.44 per unit transportation** (currently \$11.29) for each way transportation services

Why is there a need?

COVID caused a temporary stop to in-person adult day services, which created financial stress for ADS providers, even with partial state support. Since reopening, the crisis has only grown as inflation and rising costs in energy, wages, supplies, food, and other expenses has put providers in dire need of additional funds to continue to provide an imperative community-based service for the elderly.

What is Adult Day Services (ADS)?

ADS is designed for seniors, age 60 and over, who want to remain in their community but who cannot be home alone during the day due to physical, social, and / or cognitive limitations. ADS can provide respite for family caregivers, including those who are employed outside the home and those who need a break from the 24-hour caregiving role. ADS is a cost-effective option that provides:

- Assistance with activities of daily living
- Medical monitoring and supervision in a secured environment
- Socialization for isolated adults
- Therapeutic recreational activities

What are the Benefits of ADS?

All overseen by trained staff, ADS program provide nutritious meals, activities, and engagement that keeps seniors out of long term care facilities. The programs reduces stress on seniors and their caregivers, further improving their relationships with others. Licensed nurses also play an important role in ADS in monitoring the health (vital signs, weight, diet, health changes, etc.) of seniors. Ultimately, the service promotes senior independence.

We cannot afford to lose programs in Illinois that allow seniors to remain at home. The time to increase the ADS rates is now! VOTE “YES” and support HB3223!

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