



September 30, 2021

TO: All Licensed Washington State Health Maintenance Organizations, Third Party Administrators (“TPAs”), Registered Administrative Services Providers with Respect to Health Insurance, Insurance Companies, and Health Service Corporations (together “Assessed Entities”)

RE: 2022 WAPAL Fund Monthly Assessment Rate

At its first annual rate-setting meeting on September 29, 2021, the Advisory Council to the state of Washington (WA) Partnership Access Lines (PAL) funding program (WAPAL Fund) voted to recommend the per person monthly assessment rate to the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) for state fiscal year (FY) 2022. After careful review of fiscal control points, the Council unanimously recommended a rate of \$0.13 per covered life per month.

We are pleased to advise that HCA approved the Council’s recommended 2022 rate. **Accordingly, the monthly \$0.13 per covered life per month assessment rate will become effective with payments due on November 15, 2021.** This rate applies to all ages of covered lives, and KidsVax®’s assessment system will automatically apply the correct rate for all timely filed payer assessment reports.

By way of reminder, assessed entities must log in to the WAPAL Fund system after the end of every calendar quarter to file a covered lives report and receive an invoice for the quarterly assessment due. These assessments are due 45 days after the end of every quarter. Accordingly, in an annual fiscal-year cycle, payments are due November 15, February 15, May 15, and August 15 for the quarters ending September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30, respectively. Please visit <https://www.WAPALfund.org/> for more information or <https://assessments.WAPALfund.org/> to file a quarterly report.

Thank you for your equitable support of Washington’s PAL program and for helping Washingtonians get the behavioral healthcare they need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Andrew J. Coukos'.

Andrew J. Coukos, KidsVax, LLC
serving via contract with HCA as the
Executive Director of WAPAL Fund