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Relationship based restrictions are listed by program below:

Developmental Disability Services

Restrictions to payment for services rendered under **Developmental Disabilities Services** programs, including **Family Managed Respite**, outside of the allowances of the Legally Responsible Individual policy are as follows, as outlined in the Vermont Medicaid Manual for Development Disabilities Services *revised January 2018*, section 1.8 Worker Qualifications:

- Payment will not be made for services furnished by:
    - Legal Guardian or spouse/domestic partner/civil union partner of legal guardian.
    - Individual's parent, step-parent or adoptive parent.
    - Domestic partner or civil union partner of the parent.
    - Spouse, domestic partner or civil union partner of the individual.
    - Payment will not be made to spouse/domestic partner/civil union partner of a home provider for respite.
- Payment *may* be made to the spouse/domestic partner/civil union partner of the home provider for Community Supports, In Home residential supports at the discretion of the contracting DS agency.

Choices for Care

Unless there is a variance approved by the Adult Services Division, restrictions to payment for services rendered under **the Traditional Home-Based, Adult Family Care, Moderate Needs and Flexible Choices service options within Choices for Care** are as follows, as outlined in the Choices for Care Vermont Long-Term Services & Supports Program Operations Manual High & Highest Needs Group *revised July 2020*, Section IV.3.E. & Section IV.10.F & Section IV.11.I:

- A legal guardian, appointed by probate court, may not be paid to provide Personal Care Services.
- The participant's legal guardian shall not be paid to provide Adult Family Care services to the participant.
- A spouse or civil union partner shall not be paid to provide assistance with Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADLs) as part of personal care services.
    - IADLs are defined as:
        a. Meal Preparation
        b. Medication Management
        c. Using the Telephone
        d. Money Management
        e. Household Maintenance
        f. Light Housekeeping
        g. Laundry
        h. Shopping
        i. Transportation

j. Care of Medical or Adaptive Equipment

Restrictions to payment for Respite Care and Companion Care services rendered under **Choices for Care** programs are as follows, as outlined in as outlined in the Choices for Care Vermont Long Term Services & Supports Program Operations Manual High & Highest Needs Group *revised July 2020*, Section IV.4.E & Section IV.5.E:

- A spouse or civil union partner of the individual receiving services shall not be paid to provide respite care services.
- A spouse or a civil union partner of the individual receiving services shall not be paid to provide companion care services.
- A legal guardian, appointed by the probate court, shall not be paid to provide respite care services.
- A legal guardian, appointed by probate court, shall not be paid to provide companion
- care services.

Children's Personal Care

Restrictions to payment for services rendered under the **Children's Personal Care Services** program, with the exception of the allowances provided under the Legally Responsible Adult policy, are as follows, as outlined in the Children's Personal Care Services Program guidelines, *dated June 30, 2023*:

- A personal care worker may not be a biological or adoptive parent, guardian, shared living provider, foster parent, stepparent, domestic/civil union partner of the child's primary caregiver, or relative serving in the primary caregiver capacity.

Brain Injury Program

Restrictions to payment for services rendered under the **Brain Injury Program** are as follows, as outlined in the Traumatic Brain Injury Provider/Procedures Manual Section V:

- Payment will not be made for services furnished by the consumer's parent, step-parent or adoptive parent; by the consumer's spouse, domestic partner or legal guardian; or by sibling under the age of eighteen (18).

Attendant Services Program

Restrictions to payment for services rendered under the **Attendant Services Program**, inclusive of **Medicaid Participant Directed Attendant Care (PDAC)** and **Attendant Services Program (ASP) General Funds**, are as follows, as outlined in the Attendant Services Program Employer Handbook *Revised July 2014*, Chapter VI:

- The spouse or civil union partner of a participant may be paid to provide services as an employee under ASP General Fund programs, but will not be paid under Medicaid PDAC.
- An ASP Participant's legal guardian (appointed by a probate court) may not be paid to provide services as an employee under ASP.

Please contact your agency or case manager with questions you may have regarding how a relationship between an employee and individual receiving care may impact payment.