

IHSS Advance Pay

What is IHSS Advance Pay?

Advance Pay is an option available to severely impaired consumers that allows them to be issued an advanced payment for their monthly authorized IHSS services and pay the provider(s) directly for the authorized service hours provided (Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 12304).

Eligibility for IHSS Advance Pay

- Consumers must be severely impaired (authorized 20 or more hours of IHSS personal care services or paramedical services per week).
- Consumers must be capable of handling their financial and legal affairs (or have an authorized representative).

Consumer Requirements for IHSS Advance Pay

- Consumers may not use Advance Pay for anything other than the purchase of their authorized IHSS services.
- Reconciling timesheets should be submitted to the timesheet processing facility at the end of each pay period, but no later than 45 days from the date of advance payment issuance or an overpayment may be established against the recipient (MPP Sections 30-767.133).
- If reconciling timesheets are not received within 90 days from the date of advance payment issuance, the payment method may be changed from advance to arrears payment meaning providers would be paid after timesheets are submitted (MPP 30-768.213).
- Consumers must pay their providers timely.