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DATE: **JANUARY 8, 2015**

TO: **NLACRC SERVICE PROVIDERS**

SUBJECT: **UPDATE ON 5.82% RATE ADJUSTMENT PLANNED FOR
JANUARY 1, 2015**

The purpose of this correspondence is to provide further information related to rate increases for specified providers due to changes in federal regulations implementing the Fair Labor Standards Act. The Developmental of Developmental Services (“DDS”) Budget Trailer Bill, SB 856, enacted June 20, 2014, authorized a 5.82 percent rate increase, effective January 1, 2015, for personal assistance, supported living and in-home respite agency services.

On December 31, 2014, the United States District Court in Washington, D.C. issued a temporary restraining order staying the revised definition of “companionship services” for 14 days, until January 15, 2015.

As a result of the US District Court’s action, on January 6, 2015, DDS has informed all Regional Centers that the 5.82% rate increase for supported living, personal assistance and in-home respite agency services scheduled to begin January 1, 2015, **will not** go into effect at this time.

The US District Court will hold a hearing on this matter on January 9, 2015. As NLACRC receives updates from DDS regarding this matter, we will notify you accordingly.

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