

MEMO

To: Joint Finance Committee
From: Brian J. Hartman, on behalf of the following organizations:
Developmental Disabilities Council
Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens
State Council for Persons with Disabilities

Subject: Division of Services for Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities FY 17 Budget

Date: February 23, 2016

Please consider this memo a summary of the oral presentation of Brian J. Hartman Esq. on behalf of the Developmental Disabilities Council ("DDC"), Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens ("GACEC"), and the State Council for Persons with Disabilities ("SCPD"). Although input could be provided on several aspects of the DSAAPD budget, we are addressing one (1) component today, i.e., attendant services.

ATTENDANT SERVICES

As you may know, the Division administers an attendant services program in collaboration with two non-profit contractors, Easter Seals and JEVS Human Services.¹ Attendant services are subsidized to permit participants to engage in employment, attend school, or avoid institutionalization. This is a true "statewide" program. According to the latest annual report released three months ago, 52% of participants live in New Castle County and 48% live in Kent and Sussex Counties.² Historically, the most prevalent disability diagnoses of participants have been Cerebral Palsy; Multiple Sclerosis (MS); and Quadriplegia. Sixty-three percent (63%) of participants are seniors (ages 60-85+).³ On average, participants receive approximately 13 hours of services weekly.⁴

Last year, the enabling legislation for this program was revised through enactment of H.B. No. 110. The revisions increase flexibility in the services menu and promote attendant provision of the full range of assistance authorized by law.

¹DSAAPD, Easter Seals, and JEVS summaries of the program are included as Attachment "A".

²The latest (FY15) DSAAPD Personal Attendant Services Program Annual Report (November 6, 2015) covers the period between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015. A copy would be provided on request.

³The FY15 PAS Annual Report identifies 114 total participants, of whom 31% are ages 60-74, 19% are ages 75-84, and 13% are ages 85+.

⁴Consistent with statistics compiled in Section II of the FY15 Annual Report, participants averaged 676 units of service annually, i.e., 13 hours of service weekly.

Qualitatively, this program enjoys a terrific “track record”. As reflected in the latest (2015) consumer satisfaction ratings, participants are overwhelmingly positive in their assessment of the program.

INQUIRY	EASTER SEALS PERCENTAGE OF FAVORABLE (AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE) SURVEY RESPONSES	JEVS PERCENTAGE OF FAVORABLE (AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE) SURVEY RESPONSES
SATISFACTION WITH QUALITY OF CARE	100%	100%
AGREEMENT WITH SERVICE PLAN	88%	100%
ATTENDANTS ON-TIME	94%	100%
STAFF COURTEOUS	100%	100%
STAFF ACCESSIBLE	100%	100%
STAFF RESPONSIVE TO QUESTIONS	100%	100%
CLIENTS WOULD RECOMMEND PROVIDER	100%	100%
CLIENTS WOULD RECOMMEND PROGRAM	100%	100%
LIFE IMPROVED BY PROGRAM	100%	100%

Individual comments are also compelling:

- Excellent program
- Gratefully thank you for the PAS program - Aging and Easter Seals did a wonderful job with our family
- Just keep up the good work
- Great [staff member] is practically part of the family
- PAS is s good program. I feel it helps me a lot.
- Everything is fine.

- PAS works so well. I hope the State does not mess it up.

Quantitatively, the Department was successful in eliminating its entire waiting list for this popular program 5 years ago. Individuals eligible for the Medicaid DSHP Plus initiative now receive attendant services through that program. The balance are currently served through a combination of \$1,015,313 in State General Funds and \$603,800 in Tobacco funds. DHSS requested level funding (\$603,800) in Tobacco funds in its FY17 application.⁵ With level funding in FY17, it expected to serve 46 individuals with the Tobacco funds and 77 individuals with General Funds for an aggregate of 123 participants. Although the Health Fund Advisory Committee recommended level Tobacco funding for this program in FY17, the Governor's budget proposes a \$35,300 reduction in Tobacco funds allocated to the program.⁶

Recommendation

The current waiting list for this program has grown to 228 individuals, most of whom are designated as "high priority". This highly successful program merits increased funding. Moreover, given the growing waiting list, it would be prudent to consider a significant reallocation of institutional funds to the program consistent with §176 of the budget epilog. See Attachment "D".

Investing in this program is "money well spent". The average per participant cost of attendant services is approximately \$13,126.⁷ In contrast, the average cost of Delaware nursing home residency in 2016 exceeds \$103,000.⁸ Given enhanced community resources, the Department has reduced referrals to public nursing homes in recent years by 47% (192 to 102) and diverted 84% of remaining referrals:

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Referrals	192	167	104	123	102	9
Diversions	162	153	95	90	81	6
Placements	30	14	9	33	21	3

That success is only possible with the availability of attendant services.

Thank you for your consideration.

Attachments

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⁵A copy of the DHSS FY17 Health Fund Application is included as Attachment "B".

⁶Compare 11/9/15 DHFAC Recommendation with excerpt from proposed budget. [Attachment "C"]

⁷The DSAAPD FY 17 Health Fund Application (p. 3) envisioned serving 46 participants with \$603,800, i.e., \$13,126 per participant. [Attachment "B"]

⁸See DHSS Admin. Notice DMMA-06-2016 (January 22, 2016). [Attachment "E"]

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INFORMATION

Attendant Services

Description Attendant Services is a self-directed program in which participants serve as employers of their own attendants. The service provides support to persons with disabilities who need assistance with the functions of daily living, self-care or mobility. Specific supports may include help with activities such as bathing, dressing, personal hygiene, meal preparation, shopping, housekeeping, transportation, communication, on-the-job functions, or other related tasks.

Eligibility Delaware residents aged 18 and older with disabilities who meet specific financial and functional criteria

Availability Statewide

Info or Enrollment Contact the [Delaware Aging and Disability Resource Center \(ADRC\)](#) by phone or email.

More Resources [Guide to Services for Older Delawareans and Persons with Disabilities](#)
[Delaware Aging and Disability Resource Center Service Provider Search](#)

Related Links [National Resource Center for Participant Directed Services](#)
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ATTACHMENT "A"



Like a trusted friend, Easter Seals helps people with disabilities of all ages address life's challenges and achieve their personal goals.

Our Mission

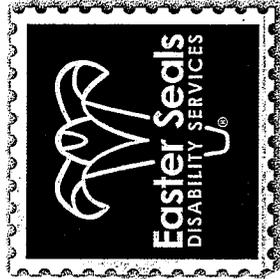
Easter Seals provides exceptional services to ensure that all people with disabilities or special needs and their families have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play in their communities.

Easter Seals is a nonprofit organization that depends on the generous support of individuals, corporations and foundations to fully fund its programs. For more information on how you can help, go to www.de.easterseals.com and click on "DONATE NOW."



Scan the QR code with your mobile device to view Easter Seals Personal Attendant Services.

Easter Seals Delaware & Maryland's Eastern Shore



Personal Attendant Services

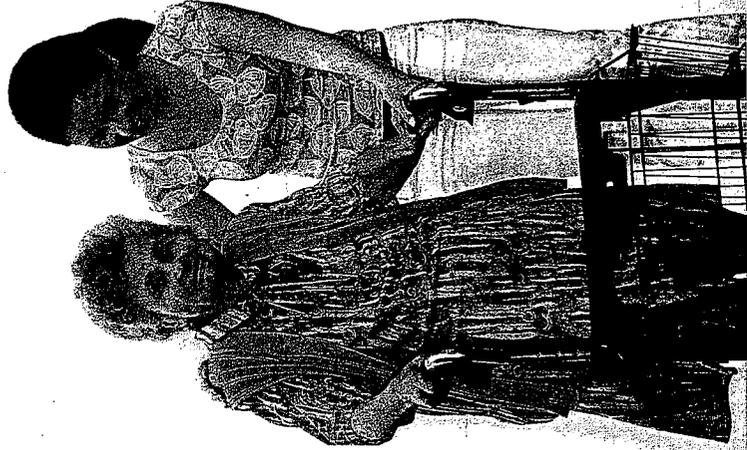
For more information about Personal Attendant Services and other Easter Seals services, contact the location nearest you.

NEW CASTLE, DE
61 Corporate Circle
New Castle, DE 19720
302.324.4444 ph
302.324.4441 fax
302.324.4442 TDD
800.677.3800 Toll Free

DOVER, DE
100 Enterprise Place, Ste 1
Dover, DE 19904
302.678.3353 ph
302.678.3650 fax

GEORGETOWN, DE
22317 DuPont Blvd
Georgetown, DE 19947
302.253.1100 ph
302.856.7296 fax

This program is partially funded by the Delaware Division of Services for the Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities.



Easter Seals Delaware & Maryland's Eastern Shore has been awarded accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities in recognition of Quality Rehabilitation Services.



www.de.easterseals.com



If you are a senior citizen or person over 18 with a disability, you may need a personal attendant to help you with activities of daily living. Personal attendants can help people with disabilities maintain independent and busy lives!



Easter Seals staff will help you interview, hire, schedule and train the personal attendant you choose, once your application is approved by your managed care organization or the Delaware Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities. You are in charge, and can enjoy the quality of life that a trusted attendant makes possible.

Easter Seals Personal Attendant Services are available to senior citizens, as well as individuals with physical disabilities over 18.



Take Charge of Your Life Through Easter Seals Personal Attendant Services



How Can Personal Attendant Services Help Me?

Personal attendants can help you live your life to its fullest potential!

Your personal attendant routinely will assist with:

- Dressing and hygiene;
- Medical appointments;
- Grocery shopping;
- Light housework and meal preparation;
- Medical or therapy instructions.

Whatever your level of need, a personal attendant can help you maintain your independence and enjoy life. In many cases, Personal Attendant Services can help you remain at home for as long as possible, rather than moving into a nursing facility.



The Choice is Easter Seals.

Easter Seals is dedicated to self-direction, independence, and self-control for people with disabilities.

With multiple locations, Easter Seals offers a broad range of disability services and resources throughout the region.

Easter Seals originated the Personal Attendant Services program in Delaware in the 1980's and has operated since continuously.





Supports for Independence

Delaware

What are Personal Assistance and Personal Attendant Services?

Personal Attendant and Personal Assistance Services (PAS) empower individuals with disabilities to maintain their independence at home and remain active in their community. Individuals receive service coordination and financial management services, which support them in the process of hiring their own personal care attendant. Individuals can hire a friend, neighbor, or relative to help them with their personal care needs. Our experienced staff can also assist individuals in finding personal care attendants who can work at the participant's requested days and times.

Are you 18 or over with a disability and want control of your own services?

Do you want the choice to hire your own personal attendant to provide your personal care?

JEVS Supports for Independence can help. We tailor your services to meet your needs!

Service Coordination Includes

- An experienced Coordinator to support you in creating an individualized service plan (ISP)
- Assistance with setting you up as an employer so you can hire personal care attendants to meet your needs

Your Personal Attendant can help you with

- Bathing, dressing, grooming, toileting, meal preparation, and transferring
- Light housekeeping such as cleaning and doing laundry
- Errands and tasks such as food shopping and visits to the pharmacy

Financial Management Services Include

- Orientation to the program for you and your employees
- A competitive pay rate for your employees
- Human Resources support that helps you find a personal attendant to fit your needs
- Completing reference and background checks.
- Assistance with establishing and maintaining workers' compensation accounts
- Assistance with payroll
- Assistance with managing employment taxes
- A phone activated time and attendance system to ensure accuracy in recording hours worked
- A convenient call in system to confirm the hours your personal care assistant has worked

Would you like a FREE one of a kind training to help you in your role as an employer?

JEVS Supports for Independence offers a free Consumer Directed Training Series for all individuals enrolled in our Self-Directed Services Programs.

Consumer Directed Training

The JEVS SFI Consumer Directed Training Series supports program participants in their role as employers. This one of a kind training consists of video and written components that cover 11 topics essential to creating an effective relationship between the participant and his or her attendant. This training is the result of a team effort involving important contributions from self-directing participants, attendants, and SFI staff.

Eligibility for Personal Attendant Services

- A Delaware State Resident who is 18 years of age or older

- Applicant must possess a severe, chronic disability that significantly impairs his or her ability to perform the essential activities of daily living in an independent manner either at home or in the community
- Disability must be medically verified and expected to last for a continuous period of no fewer than 12 months

Enrollment for Personal Attendant Services

Eligibility and enrollment are determined by the Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD).

TF: 1-800-223-9074
TTY: (302) 453-3837

Email: DSAAPDinfo@state.de.us

Eligibility for Personal Assistance Services

- A Delaware state resident who is at least 18 years of age
- Applicant must possess a severe, chronic physical, mental or developmental disability which significantly impairs the applicant's ability to perform the essential activities of daily living in an independent manner at home and in the community
- The applicant's chronic disability must be medically verified and expected to last for a continuous period of no fewer than 12 months

Enrollment for Personal Assistance Services

Eligibility and enrollment are determined by the Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) or a Contracting Agency.

TF: 1-800-372-2022
TEL: (302) 255-9500

We Speak Your Language

JEVS Supports for Independence is dedicated to meeting your needs in a variety of languages. Our bilingual staff will create a supportive environment in which participants with limited English proficiency can have questions answered and their needs met.

Cost

Personal Attendant Services may be available at no cost or through cost sharing. Cost sharing, if applicable, is determined by the enrolling agency.

Personal Assistance Services are available at no cost for eligible participants.

STATE OF DELAWARE
HEALTH FUND APPLICATION
FISCAL YEAR 2017

Applications are only being accepted from programs that received Health Fund money in FY 16 or were recommended by the Health Fund Advisory Committee to receive funding in FY 16.

FUNDING REQUESTS ARE DUE BY 4:30 PM, Friday, SEPTEMBER 11, 2015.

Requests should be submitted electronically to deborah.gottschalk@state.de.us and joanne.finnigan@state.de.us . Please send as a PDF or Image Writer file with your organization's name at the beginning of the file name. (Please remember to sign the Agreement on page 5).

Please direct questions to Debbie Gottschalk, Chief Policy Advisor, DHSS, Phone: (302) 255-9038; email: deborah.gottschalk@state.de.us or Joanne Finnigan, Phone: (302) 255-9880; email: joanne.finnigan@state.de.us .

Agency Information

1. Official Name of Organization:
State of Delaware, Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities
2. Date of Incorporation or Date Established by Law:
1965
3. 9-digit Federal Employer Identification No.:
51-6000279
4. Address of Management Office:
**1901 N. DuPont Highway
Herman Holloway Campus
Main Building, 1st Floor Annex
New Castle, Delaware 19720**
5. Name, Phone Number, and E-mail Address of Primary Contact Representative:
Lisa Bond, 302-255-9358, Lisa.Bond@state.de.us
6. Did your agency receive Health Funds in Fiscal Year 2016? If yes, how much?
\$603,800

ATTACHMENT "B"

Program Information

1. Please provide a one paragraph summary of the program.
The goal of the Personal Attendant Services Program (PAS) is to provide attendant services to eligible adults with physical disabilities, enabling them to work and/or avoid living in highly supervised institutional settings. The PAS is intended to maximize independence and autonomy for consumers. An important aspect of the Personal Attendant Services Program is self-direction. Consumers select their own attendants and direct attendant care in a manner which is consistent with their own personal lifestyle and preferences. Consumers serve as the actual employers of their attendants by hiring, training, scheduling, and directing work activities, and performing other related oversight functions. Consumers may act through a guardian or appointed representative. Currently, Personal Attendant Services is the only self-directed service administered by the Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD).
2. Why is there a need for the program for which your agency is seeking Health Funds?
The mission of the DSAAPD is to improve and maintain the quality of life for Delawareans who are elderly or who are at least eighteen years of age with physical disabilities. The Division is committed to the development and delivery of consumer driven services, which maximize independence through individual choice in the least restrictive environment possible, enabling individuals to continue living active and productive lives and protecting those who may be vulnerable or at risk.

The Personal Attendant Services program is an important component of the community-based long-term care systems supported by DSAAPD. The program provides personal care and other approved support services for adults with physical disabilities who need assistance to enable them to live in their own homes and communities and to carry out functions of daily living, self-care, and mobility.

Guidelines for the Personal Attendant Services program were established through the Community-Based Attendant Services Act (HB 30), which was signed into law by Governor Minner in 2001. The law (16 Del.C. Ch. 94) can be reviewed online at <http://delcode.delaware.gov/title16/c094/index.shtml>

The Division contracts for the provision of Personal Attendant Services on a statewide basis. The contracted attendant services agency provides support to consumers in a number of important ways. For example, the provider agency carries out person-centered planning with consumers to help them identify needs and preferences. The provider agency recruits attendants and maintains a roster from which consumers can select attendants who best meet their needs. In addition, the agency provides basic training to attendants and assists consumers in billing, tax requirements, and other mandates required of consumers when hiring attendants.

Originally funded with State general funds, the program was later expanded with the addition of funds available through the State's portion of the Tobacco Settlement.

3. What are the program goals and objectives?
 - a. To provide personal attendant services to promote self-sufficiency, self-reliance, and a sense of personal responsibility among participants,
 - b. To minimize the likelihood of institutionalization and maximize the potential for independent living of individuals with disabilities,
 - c. To reduce the barriers to participation in common community-based activities.
4. Please describe the target population affected by the program.
The target population consists of adults with low incomes who require long term care supports and services to remain in the community.
5. Where will the services be provided?
The Personal Attendant Services program is statewide and provides services in the consumer's home or other community-based settings.
6. What other agencies or organizations provide services similar to those of your agency, if any? How do you propose to work with the agencies that perform similar services?
Home health agencies provide personal care services that are used as supplementary service for some recipients of attendant care. DSAAPD will continue to coordinate scheduling and service delivery issues with these agencies.

Funding Request

1. What level of funding is your agency requesting for FY 2017?
\$603,800
2. Is the requested funding a one-time request or do you anticipate the need for on-going funding? Please explain.
The need for this funding is ongoing. It is expected that in FY 2017, Health Funds will provide attendant services for approximately 46 participants and general funds will serve an additional 77 persons for a total of 123 participants. In addition, there are currently 179 persons on the waiting list, including 149 designated as high priority.
3. Please submit a proposed line item budget (i.e., personnel, contractual, travel, supplies, etc.) explaining how you intend to use FY 2017 Health Funds. You will be asked to submit a year-end expenditure report based on the actual amount allocated in the budget.

Contractual	\$603,800
Personnel	\$0
Travel	\$0
Supplies	\$0

4. If you received Health Funds in **FY 2015**, please submit a year end expenditure report detailing how those funds have been used.

See attached **Financial Statements**. The funds were expended as follows:

- **Attendant Care** **\$686,100**
- **Care Support** **\$160,800**
- **Respite** **\$13,359**

5. Does your agency receive funding for **this project** from any of the following sources? If so, please provide the name of the funding source and the amount of funding received.

- **State Funds (i.e., General Funds, ASF, Grant-in-Aid): \$1,015,313**
- **Federal Funds (including federal grants): 0**
- **Other Funds (i.e., corporate grants/donations): 0**

6. In addition to sources listed in the answer to question 5, does your agency receive funding from any of the following sources? If so, please provide the name of the funding source and the amount of funding received.

- **State Funds (i.e., General Funds, ASF, Grant-in-Aid): \$20,018,345**
- **Federal Funds (including federal grants): \$10,542,685**
 - **Social Services Block Grant** **\$1,124,322**
 - **Medicaid** **\$440,000**
 - **Older Americans Act Title III B** **\$2,328,330**
 - **Older Americans Act Title III C-1** **\$1,577,988**
 - **Older Americans Act Title III C-2** **\$1,075,581**
 - **Older Americans Act Title III D** **\$98,653**
 - **Older Americans Act Title III E** **\$723,622**
 - **Older Americans Act Title V** **\$1,846,110**
 - **Older Americans Act Title VII (APS)** **\$23,843**
 - **Older Americans Act Title VII (Ombudsman)** **\$79,350**
 - **Nutrition Services Incentive** **\$493,592**
 - **Senior Medicare Patrol** **\$169,950**
 - **Senior Medicare Patrol Capacity** **\$59,898**
 - **Aging & Disabilities Resource Center** **\$383,635**
 - **Lifespan Respite** **\$117,811**
- **Other Funds (i.e., corporate grants/donations): Senior Trust Fund \$15,000**

Program Evaluation

1. If you are currently receiving Health Funds, how have you evaluated your program's success at meeting the previously stated goals and objectives? Specifically, identify the performance measures you use and the corresponding results.

Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD) staff members monitor the Attendant Services program contracts to ensure that program goals are being met.

DSAAPD case managers provide oversight to ensure that services are delivered in accordance with individual care plans.

Recipients are surveyed annually regarding their satisfaction with the service. During the most recent program year, nearly all program participants indicated that the attendant services met their expectations, that their interactions with staff were good and that the staff members were responsive to their needs.

DSAAPD utilizes a tracking system which closely monitors service utilization. This system enables staff to accurately project service hour availability and allows for efficient use of existing resources.

2. If you are currently receiving Health Funds and did not meet your stated goals and objectives, how will you modify your program to meet the stated goals and objectives?

DSAAPD has met our current goals and objectives.

Health Fund Project Criteria

In accordance with Section 137 of Title 16 of the Delaware Code, moneys from the Delaware Health Fund shall be expended for Delaware citizens in accordance with any 1 or more of the following:

- (1) Expanding access to healthcare and health insurance for citizens of Delaware that lack affordable healthcare due to being uninsured or underinsured;
- (2) Making long-term investments to enhance healthcare infrastructure which meets a public purpose;
- (3) Promoting healthy lifestyles, including the prevention and cessation of the use of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs by the citizens of Delaware;
- (4) Promoting preventative care for Delawareans in order to detect and avoid adverse health conditions, particularly cancer and other tobacco-related diseases;
- (5) Working with the medical community by providing funding for innovative and/or cost effective testing regimens to detect and identify lesser-known but devastating and costly illnesses, such as sarcoidosis and hemochromatosis, fibromyalgia, lupus, lyme disease and chronic fatigue immune deficiency syndrome;
- (6) Promoting a payment assistance program for prescription drugs to Delaware's low-income senior and disabled citizens who are ineligible for, or do not have, prescription drug benefits or coverage through federal, state, or private sources;
- (7) Promoting a payment assistance program to Delaware's citizens who suffer from debilitating chronic illnesses, such as diabetes and kidney disease, which are characterized by onerous recurring costs for equipment, tests and therapy; and/or
- (8) Such other expenditures as are deemed necessary in the best interests of the citizens of Delaware provided they shall be made for health related purposes.

FY 2017 Health Fund Advisory Committee Final Recommendations - Details
November 9, 2015 Meeting

EXISTING PROGRAMS	FY '16 Budget	FY '17 Request	FY 17 FINAL HFAC RECOMMENDATION
Cancer Programs			
Cancer Consortium Recommendations (DHSS - DPH)	\$8,365.0	\$8,365.0	\$8,828.5
Consortium Sub-Grantees:			\$0.0
a) DE Breast Cancer Coalition	\$68.3	\$100.0	\$68.3
b) Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment (DHSS - DMMA)	\$380.0	\$335.0	\$335.0
c) Cancer Care Connection	\$126.8	\$126.8	\$126.8
d) Cancer Support Community (Formerly The Wellness Community)	\$128.0	\$128.0	\$128.0
Subtotal	\$9,068.1	\$9,054.8	\$9,486.6
Disability Programs			
Medical Coverage for SSI Transition (DHSS - DMMA)	\$3,891.3	\$3,120.0	\$3,120.0
Attendant Care/HB 30 (DHSS - DDDS)	\$59.4	\$63.2	\$59.4
Attendant Care/HB 30 (DHSS - DSAAPD)	\$603.8	\$603.8	* \$603.8
SSI Supplement (DHSS - DSS)	\$943.4	\$943.4	\$943.4
Money Follows the Person (DHSS - OSEC-\$32.0, DMMA-\$800.0)	\$842.0	\$832.0	\$832.0
Subtotal	\$6,339.9	\$5,562.4	\$5,558.6
Tobacco Prevention and Control Programs			
Tobacco Prevention - Department of Justice	\$243.5	\$223.4	\$223.4
Tobacco Prevention - Department of Services for Children, Youth & Their Families	\$39.9	\$40.0	\$40.0
Tobacco Prevention - Div. of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement	\$416.3	\$561.6	\$561.6
Tobacco Prevention (DHSS - DPH)	\$1,740.0	\$3,403.7	\$3,329.9
Mammography Van (Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition) Included in FY 15 DPH Tobacco Contractual Funding and FY 16 HFAC Recommendations	\$294.1	\$294.1	\$294.1
Subtotal	\$2,733.8	\$4,522.8	\$4,449.0
Delaware Prescription Assistance Program (DHSS - DMMA)	\$2,500.0	\$2,500.0	\$2,500.0
Subtotal	\$2,500.0	\$2,500.0	\$2,500.0
Workforce Development Programs			
New Nurse Formation Programs - Del Tech	\$1,977.0	\$2,535.0	\$0.0
Nursing Program - Wesley College	\$0.0	\$75.0	\$75.0
Nursing Program - Polytech Adult Education	\$74.4	\$79.1	\$74.4
Delaware State University - Nursing Program	\$101.5	\$101.5	\$101.5
Subtotal	\$2,152.9	\$2,790.6	\$250.9
Behavioral Health Programs			
Heroin Residential Program - Gaudenzia, Inc.	\$287.9	\$287.9	\$287.9
Substance Abuse Transitional Housing	\$140.7	\$140.7	\$140.7
Limen House	\$51.1	\$62.7	\$51.1
Delaware Schools ATODA Survey - University of Delaware	\$19.4	\$20.6	\$19.4
Project Renewal Program - Brandywine Counseling	\$113.0	\$148.0	\$113.0
Subtotal	\$612.1	\$659.9	\$612.1
Consumer Education Programs			
Nurse Family Partnership - Children & Families First	\$158.8	\$158.5	\$158.8

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(35-12-00) State Service Centers

- Personnel Costs
- Travel
- Contractual Services
- Energy
- Supplies and Materials
- Capital Outlay
- Other Items:
 - Family Support-
 - Community Food Program
 - Emergency Assistance
 - Kinship Care
 - Hispanic Affairs

TOTAL -- State Service Centers

- (-30) State Service Centers
- TOTAL -- Internal Program Unit**

\$ Program		\$ Line Item	
ASF	GF	ASF	GF
			6,056.6
		7.8	0.1
		320.1	1,389.2
		231.3	891.9
		64.1	80.6
		39.8	7.3
			401.8
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(35-14-00) Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities

- Personnel Costs
- Travel
- Contractual Services
- Energy
- Supplies and Materials
- Capital Outlay
- Tobacco Fund:
 - Attendant Care
 - Caregivers Support
 - Respite Care
- Other Items:
 - Community Based Services
 - Nutrition Program
 - Long Term Care
 - Long Term Care Prospective Payment
 - IV Therapy
 - Medicare Part D
 - Hospice
 - Respite Care
 - Senior Trust Fund
 - Medicare Part C - DHCI

TOTAL -- Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities

	39,922.4
	1.3
	10,694.1
5.0	1,818.8
	2,158.1
	50.5
568.5	*
133.2	
16.0	
	3.0
	815.8
	259.2
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3,965.5	55,837.7

1 Controller General. These reallocation initiatives shall not compromise the standard of care of the remaining
2 Stockley Center population.

3 **Section 172.** The Department of Health and Social Services, Developmental Disabilities Services,
4 Community Services (35-11-30) receives Medicaid reimbursement for the provision of day habilitation services
5 provided in state operated day centers. Notwithstanding the provisions of 29 Del. C. § 6102, the division shall be
6 allowed to collect and deposit the Medicaid reimbursement in an ASF account. Receipts in the account may be used
7 to fund community residential, day program, respite and other related contracts currently funded out of the Purchase
8 of Community Services line.

9 **Section 173.** Section 1 of this Act provides an appropriation of \$4,803.5 ASF to the Department of Health
10 and Social Services, Developmental Disabilities Services, Community Services (35-11-30) for Purchase of
11 Community Services. The division shall be allowed to collect and deposit funds into this account as a result of
12 revenue from implementation of a sliding fee scale, patient payments and tenant fees and Medicaid receipts from
13 state operated group homes and state operated apartments.

14 **Section 174.** Section 1 of this Act includes funding for Contractual Services for Department of Health and
15 Social Services, State Service Centers (35-12-30). Of this amount, \$182.2 shall be used for the Delaware Helpline.
16 Available funds designated for the Delaware Helpline may be distributed annually in a lump sum at the beginning of
17 the contract year.

18 **Section 175.** Section 1 of this Act appropriates \$3.0 in Contractual Services to the Department of Health
19 and Social Services, State Service Centers (35-12-30). These funds are to be used to reimburse emergency shelters
20 and/or Code Purple Sanctuaries for operational costs, supplies and/or equipment expended to house individuals and
21 families that experience homelessness housing homeless women and children in Kent County during Code Purple
22 weather conditions. Code Purple weather declarations are made when weather poses a threat of serious harm to
23 those without shelter at night. It is defined as nights when the temperature is 25 degrees or below or in emergency
24 weather conditions such as an ice storm or a blizzard declared when the combination of air temperature and wind
25 chill is expected to be 32 degrees or less.

26 **Section 176.** The Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical 
27 Disabilities (35-14-00) is encouraged, where appropriate, to reallocate resources so as to create a balanced system of
28 services and treatment ~~among~~ between the internal program units: Hospital for the Chronically Ill (35-14-20) and

1 ~~Emily Bissell (35-14-30)~~, Governor Bacon (35-14-40) and community-based services for persons aging and/or with
2 physical disabilities. Such reallocation initiatives must be made within the division's appropriation limit with the
3 approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Controller General. These reallocation
4 initiatives shall not compromise the standard of care of the remaining Long Term Care population.

5 **Section 177.** Department of Health and Social Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical
6 Disabilities (35-14-00) will receive Medicaid reimbursement for the administration of community-based services for
7 the Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities population. Notwithstanding the provisions of 29 Del. C. § 6102,
8 the division shall be allowed to collect and deposit the Medicaid reimbursement in an ASF account entitled
9 "Community Based Services Reimbursement." Receipts in the account may be used to maintain existing services
10 and provide additional services for adults with physical disabilities. Such services are not to exceed the estimated
11 annualized revenue and are subject to initial and ongoing review by the Director of the Office of Management and
12 Budget and the Controller General.

13 **Section 178.** Section 1 of this Act provides ASF spending authority to the Department of Health and
14 Social Services, Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) (35-02-01) and the Division of Substance
15 Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH), Community Mental Health (35-06-20). Notwithstanding the provisions of 29
16 Del. C. § 6102, DSAMH shall be allowed to collect and deposit Medicaid reimbursement, sliding fee scale client
17 payments and additional insurance reimbursement for PROMISE and other behavioral health services by DSAMH
18 operated programs. DSAMH will deposit the state share of Medicaid payments into a DMMA ASF appropriation,
19 and the remaining funds will be retained by DSAMH. Revenue retained by DSAMH will be used to fund
20 community residential, day program, care management, respite and other behavioral health services for PROMISE
21 program participants.

22 **Section 179.** Section 1 of this Act makes an appropriation to the Department of Health and Social
23 Services, Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Administration/Community Services (35-14-01)
24 for Respite Care. Of that appropriation, ~~\$110.0~~ \$114.5 is appropriated to support families provided respite care
25 services through the Caregiver Program.

26 **Section 180.** Section 1 of this Act includes \$25.0 ASF in the Department of Health and Social Services,
27 Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities, Hospital for the Chronically Ill (35-14-20) for Hospice.



STATE OF DELAWARE

DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF MEDICAID & MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

POLICY, PLANNING & QUALITY
MEMORANDUM

REPLY TO
ATTN. OF: Administrative Notice DMMA-06-2016

TO: All DMMA Staff

DATE: January 22, 2016

SUBJECT: Nursing Home Private Pay Rate

BACKGROUND

Section 1917(c) of the Social Security Act stipulates that a period of ineligibility must be assessed when a Medicaid applicant has transferred assets for less than fair market value. The average monthly cost to a private pay patient of a nursing facility is used to determine this period of ineligibility.

Note: This is not the average Medicaid per diem rate.

DISCUSSION

The daily average usual and customary nursing facility charge for a private pay patient is calculated annually. This amount is then rounded up or down, based on normal rounding rules. A monthly rate is obtained by multiplying the rounded daily rate by 30.42 days. These figures are used to calculate the period of ineligibility.

Effective January 1, 2016 the daily and monthly rates are:

Average daily cost to a private pay patient of a nursing facility in Delaware	\$ 284.00
Average monthly cost to a private pay patient of a nursing facility in Delaware	\$8639.00

ACTION REQUIRED

DMMA staff should use these figures when calculating a period of ineligibility for applications filed on or after January 1, 2016. Policy DSSM 20350.3 and DSSM 20350.3.1 should be reviewed.

The eligibility system will be updated with these figures.

DIRECT INQUIRIES TO

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ATTACHMENT "E"

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