

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

## **Developmental Disabilities Administration**

PO Box 45310, Olympia, WA 98504-5310

September 24, 2021

To: DDA Companion Home and Alternative Living Services Providers

Subject: Temporary Rate Increase

Dear Providers,

The temporary rate increase for Companion Home and Alternative Living providers will continue October 1 through December 31, 2021.

Alternative Living providers: Your temporary hourly reimbursement will increase by 11.3%. The benchmark rate will be \$24.35 for this period. This temporarily increased reimbursement ends December 31, 2021.

**Companion Home providers**: Your temporary **daily** rate will increase by 11.3%. This temporarily increased reimbursement ends December 31, 2021.

The intent of the funds is to address any supplies or unique expenses incurred by the COVID-19 pandemic.

I appreciate your continued partnership and commitment to provide quality services for people with disabilities. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions. I can be reached at Olga.Lutsyk@dshs.wa.gov or 360.764.6155.

Thank you,

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Olga Lutsyk, GTH/GH/CH/AL Program Manager

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