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Dear Residential Supported Living Provider and Care Coordinators,

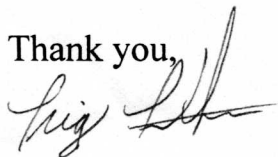
The Quality Assurance unit of Senior and Disabilities Services has been working on a project to improve understanding regarding the Medicaid Cost of Care. The Cost of Care is a recipient obligation determined by Division of Public Assistance. It is communicated through a written notice to a Medicaid recipient. It applies when a person in a nursing home or on a Medicaid Waiver. It is referred to as the "Cost of Care" and defines what amount of Medicaid cost of waiver services the person is responsible to pay. It applies only to the people notified by Division of Public Assistance.

When living in an assisted living home and receiving residential supported living services from Medicaid Waiver, the recipient's Cost of Care payment should go to the assisted living home provider. The provider must then reduce the cost billed to Medicaid by the amount of the Cost of Care.

Enclosed is a pamphlet entitled "Cost of Care." The purpose of this pamphlet is to 1) define and clarify how cost of care affects Residential Supported Living providers, and 2) explain the correct reporting procedure for the cost of care resident.

Please review the pamphlet and contact Trig Fredrickson at 269-5026 with any questions.

Thank you,



Trig Fredrickson
Medical Assistance Administrator

cc: Provider File

Helpful hints

If you receive funds from a resident that exceed the room and board; call to verify if these funds are reportable cost of care.

If you are not sure if your resident has a cost of care you may call the eligibility worker at the long term care waivers unit 269-8950.

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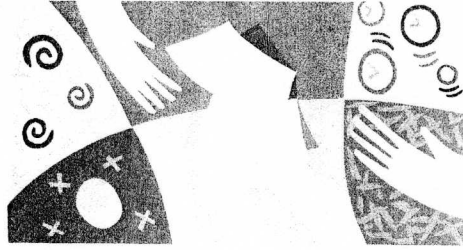
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