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Department of Developmental Services

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**Message from Commissioner Peter H. O'Meara  
Budget Update  
July 1, 2009**

As you are probably aware, the state budget for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011 that was passed by the legislature last week was officially vetoed by Governor M. Jodi Rell today. The Governor and Legislative leaders continue to work towards passing a budget and these efforts are currently underway. Governor Rell has issued *Executive Order 28* which provides an allotment to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to continue operating our essential public and private sector services for the month of July. The Governor's Press Releases on the veto and *Executive Order 28* as well as the *DDS July Allotment Schedule* are available on the DDS website.

We must continue to be prudent in our expenditures in the coming fiscal year. Our initial review of the **July Allotment Schedule** does not indicate any additional reductions for our essential services. We are realigning our internal resources to assure timely processing of payments to our providers and were able to expedite some June service payments which should assist with provider cash flows in July.

Approximately 400 DDS employees have retired, effective July 1, 2009. We tremendously value the significant contributions of those that have retired and I thank all of the department's remaining employees for their flexibility and cooperation as we look to the future of the Department of Developmental Services. I continue to admire the patience of everyone as we work together through this process. We will continue to keep you updated as budget negotiations continue.