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TO: POS Contract Providers

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SUBJECT: FY19 Interim Rates

Yesterday, the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) released the FY19 Interim Rates effective January 1, 2019. Interim rates were issued to compensate providers for wage increases at a standard rate for new development or when individuals choose/chose to utilize portability after 1/1/19.

Below is a brief explanation of the rate implementation process:

- In January, each provider who submitted a Wage Survey received a Bridge Funding payment equal to two months of the Wage Increase Allocation. DDS issued Bridge Funding payments to assist providers with cash flow until the March payment for January services is issued. These Bridge Funding payments will be reported on the provider's financial statements in the same manner as the Bridge Funding received in FY 2018.
- The Bridge Funding payment received in January was calculated based on the provider's DDS approved minimum wage allocation to fund the additional salary and benefits incurred in advance of the monthly reimbursement.
- Providers who submitted requests for changes to their wage allocation and received approval from DDS will receive the adjustment in their February payment.
- All Contract Service authorizations started on or after 1/1/19 will be built using the interim rates. This includes individuals who choose/chose to utilize portability after 1/1/19. Providers will see the increased rates in their March payment for January services.
- Authorizations with start dates prior to 1/1/19 will not be adjusted at this time.
- DDS is currently in the process of analyzing the wage data submitted by providers in order to adjust the standard rates. More information will be distributed.

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