



Human Services Department – Contract Services

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Dear Human Services Provider:

This letter is to remind you that you currently have a contract with La Crosse County Human Services that has a termination date greater than December 31, 2016. The language in this contract states that you will receive an annual increase equal to the Consumer Price Index – Urban (CPI-U) for July 2016, for rates that are eligible to receive this increase. Services excluded from this increase would be services purchased at retail price, MA rates and reimbursement rates set by the State (i.e. children's group homes/residential care centers, autism, etc.). Also excluded are contracted rates that include a total dollar amount not to exceed during the contract period.

The CPI-U for July 2016 was 0.2%.

I have attached a spreadsheet with your current contracted eligible services on it (Note: Not all services may be listed). On this spreadsheet, you will see a column with the 2017 estimated # of units and a column reflecting the **0.2%** increase in rates. These units are in no way a guarantee, but reflect a projection of utilization by our section supervisors/managers as to whether there will be an increase, decrease, or the same utilization for next year. If there are questions regarding the # of units or you feel there may be significant discrepancies in the amount of units estimated, please contact Chris Sander by e-mail at csander@lacrossecounty.org.

Please return the signed spreadsheet to the La Crosse County Human Services Department by **September 9th, 2016**. If they are not received by our agency by the due date, or an extension date is not met, our department may not be able to contract with your agency for 2017. ***Please send these completed materials to Paul Medinger, La Crosse County Human Services, PO Box 4002, La Crosse, WI 54602-4002 or via email at pmedinger@lacrossecounty.org.***

Following this process, your agency will receive an addendum to your original contract, outlining the rates agreed upon between our two agencies and will not receive a full new contract until the original contract period on your contract expires. You will also receive a page outlining contract language changes that will occur in the 2017 standard contract template.

Our intent is to have all 2017 contracts completed prior to January 1, 2017.

The Department has and will continue to evaluate our programs with our Board to determine areas where we can prioritize services. We look forward to our continuing working relationship.

Sincerely,

Paul Medinger
Contract Coordinator
La Crosse County Human Services