

MEMORANDUM

TO: AAA Directors NOTICE #: 061108-1-I-SWCBS

FROM: E. Douglas Beach

Secretary

DATE: June 11, 2008

SUBJECT: Notice of Instruction: Budget Reduction

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The purpose of this notice is to provide the area agencies on aging information regarding the 2008 Legislative Budget reductions. The department received a reduction of five percent (5%) to the Community Care for the Elderly (CCE) budget category.

The department has developed a proposal to mitigate the reduction and affect as few frail elders as possible. Specifically, beginning January 1, 2009, consumers who are dually enrolled in Home Care for the Elderly (HCE) and Medicaid Waiver will be contacted by the department, in collaboration with the Medicaid Waiver case managers, and offered an opportunity to participate in Consumer Directed Care Plus (CDC+). If the consumer declines participation in CDC+, then the individual will receive services through the Medicaid Waiver only.

To facilitate this policy implementation, effective immediately upon receipt of this notice, no additional clients should be dually enrolled in Home Care for the Elderly (HCE) and Medicaid Waiver.

The attached spreadsheets illustrate the budget reduction and associated program areas. Although reductions will occur more broadly in the CCE category, the largest proportionate reduction will be in the HCE program. The specific program allocations provide detailed information by planning and service area. If you have any questions regarding the information, please contact your contract manager.

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