

WSC ADVISORY #2019-032
RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION RATE CHANGES

ACTION REQUIRED

EFFECTIVE DATE: JUNE 24, 2019

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) is prepared to implement rate increases approved by the Florida Legislature, which take effect on Monday, July 1, 2019. Attached is a copy of the approved rate table, reflecting the increased rate for Residential Habilitation.

On Thursday, June 27, 2019, the iBudget system will be temporarily unavailable to apply the approved Residential Habilitation rates and increase the iBudget amounts (for those affected by the new rates). If a consumer has an emergency need on June 27, 2019, the Waiver Support Coordinator (WSC) must call the Region for assistance. Please be aware, the automatic email notification feature in the iBudget system will be temporarily turned off, so the WSC will not receive emails for their caseload when the rates and budgets are updated.

WSCs can resume normal activities in the iBudget system on Friday, June 28, 2019. The new rates will be applied to any service plans currently in the iBudget system for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Service authorizations will be available for WSCs to send to providers on June 28, 2019. WSCs will provide these authorizations no later than July 1, 2019. If a provider has a question about their service authorizations for July 1, they should contact the WSC. As always, WSCs should let providers know of any change in service provision before the change.