

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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ALTSA: AFH #2021-036
UPDATED ADULT FAMILY HOME MEANINGFUL DAY CONTRACT LANGUAGE,
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021, IS AVAILABLE AND WILL BE ADDED TO EXISTING
CONTRACTS AT THE TIME OF RENEWAL

Dear Adult Family Home Provider,

The State of Washington (State) and the Adult Family Home Council (AFHC) have agreed to Article 7.11(*DDA Meaningful Day and HCS Meaningful Day Activities Add-On Rate*) in the 2021-2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). This change is effective July 1, 2021.

The state will create two separate Meaningful Day contracts for clients served by the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA), and Home and Community Services (HCS). The State's intention in creating separate contracts for DDA and HCS is to allow Meaningful Day to be tailored more specifically to the needs of clients served by each Administration.

## For the July 1, 2021 transition:

- HCS and DDA Case Managers will continue to authorize Meaningful Day for eligible clients in the same manner they do currently.
- All AFH providers who have an existing contract for Meaningful Day will continue to provide Meaningful Day supports for eligible clients of both DDA and HCS under their current contracts.
  - The provider requirements for AFH Meaningful Day for clients of DDA will be included in <u>DDA Policy 4.16</u>, <u>Adult Family Homes – Meaningful Day</u>. All current and future changes will be made in DDA Policy 4.16
  - A link to the HCS draft contract language can be found <a href="here">here</a>. All references within the
    Home and Community Meaningful Day Contract shall include any successor, amended,
    or replacement language related to eligibility, training, service delivery, and contract
    monitoring activities included in all DSHS management bulletins.

If you would like to talk with a DDA Meaningful Day Specialist about your contract, please contact the specialist listed below in the Region where your AFH is located:

Region 1	Region 2	Region 3
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If you would like to talk with an HCS Meaningful Day Specialist about your contract, please send an e-mail to <a href="MeaningfulDay@dshs.wa.gov">MeaningfulDay@dshs.wa.gov</a>.

Thank you for your commitment to providing supports to some of the most vulnerable citizens of the State of Washington.

Sincerely,

Mike Anbesse, Director Residential Care Services

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