NORTH DAKOTA ADDS OVER \$48M IN FUNDING TO SUPPORT QUALITY SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES North Dakota lawrakors added funding this past logislative session to enable Developmental Disability Service

North Dakota lawmakers added funding this past legislative session to enable Developmental Disability Service Providers to recruit and retain staff and sustain quality services for persons with developmental disabilities (DD) in North Dakota.

North Dakota Health and Human Services (HHS) is working to adjust DD provider rates to reflect the new legislation and needs information from DD providers.

WHAT: OVER \$48M FUNDING INCREASE INCLUDES:

- 2% inflationary increase for service providers each year of the 2023-2025 biennium
- \$1/ hour increase for direct support professionals (DSPs) during the 2023-24 state fiscal year only
- Equivalent of \$1/ hour for indirect program support staff during the 2023-24 state fiscal year only

WHEN: Effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025

ACTIONS PROVIDERS MUST TAKE BY **SEPT. I, 2023**:

- Provide a Report to HHS that includes:
 - Plan of Action Describes how provider will ensure appropriate staff receive the \$1/ hour increase
 - Salary Data by employee (baseline data will be for the period of June 1 2023 June 30 2023)
 - See required Excel template

FUTURE ACTION PROVIDERS NEED TO TAKE:

Provide HHS the same salary data as above for December 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023 no later than
 March 1, 2024 and for June 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024 no later than Sept 1, 2024.

QUESTIONS:

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