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This e-mail comment below on Proposed Regulation #35-31 was received on June 2nd and responded to on June 3rd.

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----Original Message----From: Shiner, Lynn

Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 12:28 PM

To: 'Mary Valenzano'

Subject: RE: Proposed Rulemaking - Crime Victim Compensation

Hi Mary,

Thank you for your comments.

The elimination of the \$100 minimum out of pocket loss requirement is a statutory requirement. It cannot be addressed through the regulations. The Victims Compensation Subcommittee has formulated changes that they would like to see to the Crime Victims Act and the removal of the \$100 minimum is on their list of future changes.

Lynn

Lynn Shiner, Deputy Director Office of Victims' Services 717-265-8736

Workshop proposals for this year's Pathways Conference are due June 4, 2009. For more information visit the <u>conference website</u> and click on the "Call for Workshop Proposals" link on the left hand side.

----Original Message----

From: Mary Valenzano [mailto:mvalenzano@alicepaulhouse.org]

Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 10:34 AM

To: Shiner, Lynn

Subject: Proposed Rulemaking - Crime Victim Compensation

Hi Lynn,

I am a victim advocate for the Alice Paul House in Indiana County, and one of my programs is Crime Victim Compensation. I appreciate all the wonderful changes that are being proposed. I am truly thrilled the relocation requirements changed.

My only additional request is that VCAP does away with the \$100 minimum. Our clients for the most part in this rural area, come from meager means. Receiving \$20 back so they can partially fill their gas tanks is a big deal. When gas prices peaked last year we had clients cancel much needed counseling appointments because they could not afford to drive into town.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

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