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From:

Flossie <lsrps@aol.com>

Sent:

Friday, September 15, 2017 12:15 PM

To:

PW, ODPComment

Subject:

Fwd: Fee Schedule

Attachments:

Letter re Fee Schedule.pdf

I am sorry for the inconvenience but my original emails came back undeliverable. Hopefully this is correct now with the RA- in front.

Thank you.

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----Original Message-----

From: Flossie <lsrps@aol.com>

To: odpcomment <odpcomment@pa.gov>

Sent: Fri, Sep 15, 2017 10:16 am

Subject: Fee Schedule

Dear Ms. Mochon - I am attaching a letter which was also put in the mail today. In the interest of time, I wanted to get it to you today.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter on behalf of my son who benefits from services which we greatly appreciate.

Sincerely,

Flossie Snyder

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Ms. Julie Mochon
Human Service Program Specialist Supervisor
Office of Development Programs
Department of Human Services
Room 502, Health & Welfare Building
625 Forster Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Re: Comments on Advance Notice of Final Rulemaking - Fee Schedule Rates

Dear Ms. Mochon:

We are writing to you out of concern for the rules that govern how services in Pennsylvania are paid. We are concerned about the continued quality and security of the services that our family member receives in Philadelphia. It is known that the cost of living and doing business is higher in Philadelphia than in the rest of the state. Having a business ourselves, we know Philadelphia has a higher wage tax, higher minimum wage, and definitely higher insurance costs.

We understand that services in Philadelphia will now be paid the same rate as those in the rest of the state. We also understand those rates will be frozen for at least 3-years at a time.

The staff who work with our son already do not make enough of a salary to make ends meet. We are very concerned that without a deserved and needed pay increase this year and every year, staff will look elsewhere for a good job. Our adult son needs security and structure and does not function well with constant changes.

We request that the state reconsider its decision and pays for services based on the costs of the city or area they are in. We also request that these payments be increased every year so that staff are able to receive a much needed pay increase.

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,

Florence Snyder

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