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The proposed changes as published: (b) The Department will refresh the market-based data set forth in subsection (a) to establish rates at least every three years.

Although I appreciate the departments acknowledgement that rates should be "reviewed" at least every three years it is imperative that in order to keep qualified staffing we must be able to offer a living wage to our direct care professionals state wide. The current rate structure does not allow for inflation or cost of living adjustments.

It is my opinion that (b) Department will examine and adjust rates using a Nationally Recognized Market Index on (a) an annual basis.

Thank you!

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