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TO: Providers of Personal Care Assistant Services

APPLICABLE: Home Health Agencies and Homemaker Agencies Who Provide Personal Care Assistant Services

SUBJECT: Hourly Weekend Rate Change to Personal Care Assistant (PCA) services

EFFECTIVE: Claims with Service Dates on or after July 9, 1996

BACKGROUND: P.L. 1996, c. 42, the State Fiscal Year 1997 Appropriations Act, made changes to the reimbursement rate for the hourly PCA service to an individual for services rendered on a weekend and a holiday.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Newsletter is to advise providers of this change in reimbursement for Personal Care Assistant services provided by personal care providers not under contract with the Division of Mental Health Services.

ACTION: **Effective for dates of service on or after July 9, 1996**, the reimbursement for the following Personal Care Assistant service HCPCS will be:

Z1614	Per Hour/Weekend/Holiday/Individual	Up to \$16.00
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