	MENTAL RETARDATION BULLETIN COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA * DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE	
	SUBJECT Person/Family Directed Support Waiver Amendment	BY Nancy R. Thaler Deputy Secretary for Mental Retardation
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EFFECTIVE DATE:	Immediately	

SCOPE:

County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Administrators

PURPOSE:

The Purpose of this bulletin is to transmit information related to the approved Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) Waiver amendment that was effective on July 1, 2000.

BACKGROUND:

On April 10, 2001, the Department submitted a request to amend the Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) Waiver.

DISCUSSION:

The amendment specifically requested a reduction of the total number of individuals served for Fiscal Year 2000/2001 based on county capacity to enroll individuals in the waiver in accordance with the counties' ability to ensure health and welfare of service recipients. The amendment increased the total number of individuals served in Fiscal Year 2001/2002 to reflect the expansion provided for in the 2001-2002 Governor's Executive Budget. Fiscal Year 2001/2002 will also show a cost of living adjustment increase from the original cap of \$20,000 per person to \$21,125.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS BULLETIN SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

Appropriate Regional Mental Retardation Program Managers