



## LA CROSSE COUNTY

### Human Services Department

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Dear Human Services Provider:

This letter is to remind you that you currently have a contract with La Crosse County Human Services that has a termination date beyond December 31, 2023. The language in this contract states that you will receive an annual increase based on the Consumer Price Index – Urban (CPI-U) for July 2023, for rates that are eligible to receive this increase. The increase will be equal to the CPI-U increase up to 3.0 %. Services excluded from this increase would be services purchased at retail price, and reimbursement rates set by the State (i.e. children's group homes/residential care centers, etc.). Also excluded are contracted rates that include a total dollar amount not to exceed during the contract period, and any services that are funded through the Children's Long Term Support (CLTS) Waiver program or that will be part of a Request for Proposals this year.

**The CPI-U for July 2023 is 2.8 %, which results in an eligible increase in 2024 of 2.8%.**

I have attached a spreadsheet with your current contracted eligible services on it (Note: Not all services may be listed). On this spreadsheet, you will see a column with the 2024 estimated # of units and a column reflecting the **2.8%** increase in rates. These units are in no way a guarantee, but reflect a projection of utilization by our section supervisors/managers as to whether there will be an increase, decrease, or the same utilization for next year. If there are questions regarding the # of units or you feel there may be significant discrepancies in the amount of units estimated, please contact Paul Medinger by e-mail at [pmedinger@lacrossecounty.org](mailto:pmedinger@lacrossecounty.org).

Please return the signed spreadsheet to the La Crosse County Human Services Department by **September 12th, 2023**. **If they are not received by our agency by the due date, or an extension date is not met, our department may not be able to contract with your agency for 2024.** ***Please send these completed materials to Paul Medinger, La Crosse County Human Services, PO Box 4002, La Crosse, WI 54602-4002 or via email at [pmedinger@lacrossecounty.org](mailto:pmedinger@lacrossecounty.org).*** Email is preferred.

Following this process, your agency will receive an addendum to your original contract, outlining the rates agreed upon between our two agencies and will not receive a full new contract until the original contract period on your contract expires. You will also receive a page outlining any contract language changes that will occur in 2024.

Our intent is to have all 2024 contracts completed prior to January 1, 2024. The Department has and will continue to evaluate our programs with our Board to determine areas where we can prioritize services. We look forward to our continuing working relationship.

Sincerely,

*Paul Medinger*

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La Crosse County Human Services