

the consumer receives and the amount he or she pays the provider is the consumer's personal needs allowance.

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The Department has determined there will be no change to the Domiciliary Care payment rates for 2016. This decision is based on the Social Security Administration's announcement that there will be no Social Security COLA in 2016.

Domiciliary Care consumers shall pay their provider \$978.00 per month and retain the balance of at least \$189.30 as a personal needs allowance. Domiciliary Care couples shall pay their provider \$1,720.00 per month and retain at least \$327.40 as their personal needs allowance.

In completing the Consumer/Provider Agreement, which is the document signed by both the consumer and provider indicating their respective responsibilities, the amount of \$978.00 for an individual and \$1,720.00 for a couple shall be entered in the blank space of the agreement for the monthly rate. These amounts are to be used for all Domiciliary Care Consumer/Provider Agreements that are effective on or after January 1, 2016.

If and when a change occurs with the Federal SSI payments or State Supplement Domiciliary Care payment, the above figures will be revised.