

Per regulation PA Code Title 6 Aging, Chapter 21, Section 21.41(6), the Department of Aging is responsible for determining the monthly dollar amount that consumers will pay to Domiciliary Care home providers. To eliminate a bias for private pay consumers by providers, private pay consumers, regardless of income or resources, pay the same monthly rate as do the consumers who are SSI recipients. The difference between what 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 that the \$12.00 increase for an individual shall be split between the provider and the consumer. The provider will receive an \$8.00 increase and the consumer will receive a \$4.00 increase. For couples, the \$18.00 monthly increase will also be split between the provider and consumer. The provider will receive an \$12.00 increase and the couple will receive a \$6.00 increase.

Effective January 1, 2015, Domiciliary Care consumers will pay their provider \$978.00 per month and retain the balance of at least \$189.30 as a personal needs allowance. Domiciliary Care couples will pay their provider \$1,720.00 per month and retain at least \$327.40 as their personal needs allowance.

Please complete a new Consumer/Provider Agreement effective January 1, 2015. Enter the monthly amount of \$978.00 for an individual and \$1,720.00 for a couple. These amounts are to be used for all Dom Care Consumer/Provider Agreements that are effective on or after January 1, 2015.

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