

“AA Rate” from the Social Security Administration To Be Reduced

The Independent Living rate for married individuals will be as follows:

Effective 5/1/09: From \$1,579 per month to \$1,524/month

Effective 7/1/09: From \$1,524 per month to \$1,489/month

The rate for consumers receiving the "AA" rate from the Social Security Administration is being reduced. The rate is being reduced because the State of California changed the amount of money paid to its residents. Basically, the rate increase that was approved January 1, 2009 is being taken away effective May 1, 2009. The primary individuals that will be impacted by this rate decrease are those consumers living independently. The new rates are as follows:

Effective May 1, 2009: From \$907 per month to \$870 per month

Effective July 1, 2009: From \$870 per month to \$850 per month

During April 2009, letters are being sent out by the Social Security Administration to only those individuals impacted by this rate reduction.

Please note that, according to our Social Security office, consumers residing in Community Care Facilities (CCFs) or convalescent hospitals will NOT be impacted by the rate decrease. The rates for consumers in these two (2) types of living arrangements will remain the same.