ADOPTION SECTION

**HUMAN SERVICES**

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT**

**Notice of Administrative Change**

**Work First New Jersey/General Assistance Rate in Residential Health Care Facilities**

**N.J.A.C. 10:90-3.17**

 **Take notice** that, inaccordance with N.J.A.C. 10:90-3.17(a)1, the Department of Human Services announces that the rate to be paid for Work First New Jersey/General Assistance individuals in Residential Health Care Facilities has been increased to $931.05 monthly. This change was effective January 1, 2014, and is the same in both the amount and effective date as the change in the rate for the same services paid to recipients under the Federal Program of Supplemental Security Income.

**Full text** of the changed rule follows (addition indicated in boldface **thus**; deletion indicated in brackets [thus]):

10:90-3.17 WFNJ/GA special payment provisions for other living arrangements

 (a) When an individual is purchasing a room and board living arrangement, the following shall apply:

 1. When an individual who is in need of extensive personal services on a regular and continuous basis is purchasing a room and board living arrangement in a residential health care facility (licensed by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for purposes other than the care or treatment of drug or alcohol abuse), the monthly assistance payment ([$920.05] **$931.05**), including a personal allowance, shall not exceed the rate approved by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, less any countable income. When a rate increase is approved, a notice of administrative change to that effect will be published in the New Jersey Register. Information about the current rate may also be obtained by contacting the DFD. However, the cost of purchasing such living arrangement shall not exceed the minimum amount which the establishment customarily charges to or for other guests not dependent on public assistance, for the same accommodations and/or services.

 2.-3 (No change.)

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