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To: Residential State Supplement (RSS) and Adult Care Facility (ACF) Stakeholders

From: Ellie Jazi, LISW-S
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Re: RSS Legislative Review

As requested by OhioMHAS, Ohio's most recent budget bill includes a time-limited collaborative review of the rules and statutes governing the Residential State Supplement (RSS) Program. Specifically, the Budget language states: "The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall, with the input of stakeholders and impacted state agencies, conduct a review of the state and federal rules and statutes governing the Residential State Supplement Program and report on potential improvements to be made in governing the program not later than January 1, 2014." As part of this RSS Legislative Review process, OhioMHAS will be hosting community forums as an opportunity for stakeholders to provide feedback regarding current rules and operations of the RSS Program and the allowable fees for operators of Adult Care Facilities (ACF's).

Due to the limited timeframe, stakeholders are invited to participate in one of three community forums. The forums are being offered in multiple locations to accommodate attendees from different regions across the state. Participants will have the opportunity to provide either verbal or written input during this forum. The forum will not be a venue to discuss individual's specific concerns, but instead this input will be reviewed and considered as part of the overall legislative review process. The schedule for the RSS Legislative Review Community Forums is as follows:

<i>Wednesday, October 16th</i> 11:00 – 1:00	<i>Heartland Behavioral Healthcare</i> Multipurpose Room 3000 Erie Street South Massillon, Ohio 44646
<i>Tuesday, October 22nd</i> 11:00 – 1:00	<i>Summit Behavioral Healthcare</i> Blackwell Conference Room 1101 Summit Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45237
<i>Friday, October 25th</i> 11:00 – 1:00	<i>Cuyahoga County ADAMHS Board</i> Ohio Room 2012 W. 25th Street, 6th Floor Cleveland, OH 44113

This is an opportunity to have direct impact on rules and policies regarding housing for individuals with limited services and supports. In order to prepare for the community forums, please review information about current rules regarding ACF's and the RSS Program on the OhioMHAS website at <http://mha.ohio.gov>. Please RSVP by Friday, September 30th via email to RSS@mha.ohio.gov. Thank you.