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TO: Personal Assistance Services (PAS) Providers

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RE: Personal Assistance Services Provider Rate Increase

PAS providers will receive a 1.5% rate increase effective July 1, 2009. This increase was included as part of the biennial Medicaid budget approved by the Nebraska Legislature. This increase is as follows for Basic and Specialized rates per 15-minute unit:

	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Rate effective July 1, 2009</u>
NFOCUS code 4475- Basic	\$1.93	\$1.96
NFOCUS code 4475- Specialized	\$2.36	\$2.40

The Service Provider Agreements and Authorizations will need to be updated to reflect these rate changes effective **July 1, 2009**.

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) staff will update the PAS Provider Agreements with a pen and ink change to the rate. At the next renewal, DHHS staff will ask the provider to sign the agreement with the updated rates.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

If you have questions about this Provider Bulletin, please contact Elaine Westergren at (402) 471-9289.