



Department of Health

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Dear Administrator:

This letter contains information for your Assisted Living Program (ALP) facility regarding the Home Care worker minimum wage increases. Public Health Law 3614-f establishes a \$2.00 increase for Home Care Aide workers beginning October 1, 2022 and an additional \$1.00 increase beginning October 1, 2023. This wage increase applies to all Certified Home Health Agency (CHHA) and Licensed Home Care Services Agency (LHCSA) aides who are employed or contracted to provide services to the Assisted Living Program (ALP) facility. The authorizing language is below:

§ 3614-f. Home care minimum wage increase. 1. For the purpose of this section, "home care aide" shall have the same meaning as defined in section thirty-six hundred fourteen-c of this article.
2. In addition to the otherwise applicable minimum wage under section six hundred fifty-two of the labor law, or any otherwise applicable wage rule or order under article nineteen of the labor law, the minimum wage for a home care aide shall be increased by an amount of three dollars and zero cents in accordance with the following schedule:
(a) beginning October first, two thousand twenty-two, the minimum wage for a home care aide shall be increased by an amount of two dollars and zero cents, and
(b) beginning October first, two thousand twenty-three, the minimum wage for a home care aide shall be increased by an additional amount of one dollar and zero cents.

The Department is administering a survey to capture Home Care Aide workers information as it relates to each ALP facility. Please review the attached survey instructions and complete the attestation document and October 2022 Home Care Aide Wage Increase template. *Note that the survey collects hour data, not wages, making it critical that all ALPs that have aide hours to report complete the survey regardless of the wages that they currently pay.* The completed documents are due to the Department by October 14, 2022.

This document and ALP rates are posted at the following location under **ALP October 2022 Home Care Aide Wage Increase**: https://www.health.ny.gov/facilities/long_term_care/reimbursement/alp/

If you have any questions regarding the Home Care Aide Wage Survey (as included in this communication), please send an email with the subject line **ALP October 2022 Home Care Aide Wage Increase** to ALP-Rates@health.ny.gov.

If you have questions, or need information about the Home Care Aide Wage Increase, contact the Department of Labor at www.labor.ny.gov/minimumwage or call: 1-888-469-7365.

Sincerely,

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Attachments