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Dear Project AIDS Care (PAC) Waiver Consumer:

Due to economic conditions, the Florida Legislature mandated cuts to many state programs. PAC services must be reduced by \$5 million before June 30, 2002. To reduce the waiver by \$5 million during the latter part of the fiscal year, some services must be eliminated and others must be reduced. Services to be eliminated were selected based on discussions and meetings with consumers, staff from case management agencies, advocacy organizations, and the Department of Health.

The following services will be reduced effective March 1, 2002:

Case Management	A flat rate of \$76 per PAC consumer per month
Education and Support	Reduced to 2 hours per month
Home Delivered Meals	Reduced to 27 meals per month
Personal Care	Reduced to 5 hours per month
Skilled Care LPN	Reduced to 2 hours per month
Specialized Equipment & Supplies	Reduced the cost of this service by half on each care plan. Exception Requests will be submitted for Specialized Equipment & Supplies in excess of \$250.00 per month.
Therapeutic Massage	Reduced to 2 hours per month

The following services will be eliminated effective March 1, 2002:

Chore	Personal Emergency Response
Companion	Pest Control
Day Health Care	Physical Therapy
Health Assessment	Respiratory Therapy
Home Modification/Adaptive Equipment	Respite Care
Homemaker	Substance Abuse Treatment

Questions regarding this reduction should be discussed with your case manager. He/she will review your Plan of Care with you very soon to help you determine how the services you need may be provided. These reductions/eliminations are a result of a legislatively mandated budget reduction.



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These changes will be implemented effective with dates of service occurring on or after March 1, 2002. The changes will be incorporated into the PAC Coverage and Limitations Handbook in the very near future. Though I am thankful that the PAC Waiver was not eliminated, I deeply regret the necessity for these actions.

Sincerely,

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Medicaid Director

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cc: PAC Case Management Agencies
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