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To: Provider Agencies Contracted to Provide State Funded Respite

Subject: Long Term Care (LTC)
Information Letter No. 03-09
Elimination of Funding for State Funded Respite in Long Term Care Services

Because of funding constraints, the Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) is terminating all state-funded respite contracts and respite services under an existing contract with other services effective August 31, 2003. DHS is taking this action in accordance with the contract provision that states that the contract shall continue subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Provider agencies must maintain client and contract related records and must bill for services according to the terms of the contract and program requirements.

DHS will rescind termination of state-funded Respite contracts should funding become available.

If you have any question regarding this information letter, please contact your contract manager.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Becky Beechinor
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Long Term Care Services

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