

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

Stanley Ligas, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	Case No. 05 C 4331
v.)	
)	Judge Sharon Johnson Coleman
Theresa Eagleson, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

DEFENDANTS' STATUS REPORT

Defendants, through their attorney, Kwame Raoul, Illinois Attorney General, hereby submit this status report, in response to this Court's September 27, 2019 minute entry (Doc. No. 730), and state as follows:

1. This status report is an update to Defendants' October 11, 2019 Supplemental Status Report (Doc. No. 732). As of October 11, Defendants had not yet received federal CMS's approval of the waiver amendments to implement the 3.5% rate increase for community-based providers. On November 7, 2019, federal CMS notified HFS that it had approved the waiver amendments, effective retroactive to July 1, 2019. As of the date of this status report, Defendants still have not heard from federal CMS regarding approval of the state plan amendment that would implement the 3.5% rate increase, retroactive to August 1, 2019, for the ICF-DD providers.

2. Now that federal CMS has approved the 3.5% rate increase for community-based providers, HFS will file with federal CMS no later than December 2, 2019 an amendment to the 1915(c) Waiver for Adults with Developmental Disabilities that will implement a rate increase to \$13.00/hour.

Dated: November 12, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Brent D. Stratton

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney of record, hereby certifies that, on November 12, 2019, he caused to be filed through the Court's CM/ECF system a copy of **Defendants' Status Report**. Parties of record may obtain a copy of this filing through the Court's CM/ECF system.

/s/ Brent D. Stratton

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