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To:

Community Mental Health Program directors

Licensed mental health residential programs

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2024 increase for room and board and personal incidental funds **Subject:** 

Effective January 1, 2024, the Oregon Health Authority will implement a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA), as shown in the following table.

The COLA applies to Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Social Security Benefit (SSB) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) recipients living in mental health residential programs.

	SSI	SSI/SSDI	Non-benefit eligible
Room and Board	\$733	\$733	\$733
Personal Incidental Funds	\$210	\$210	\$210

## Why is this happening?

The Social Security Administration implemented a 3.2 percent COLA for Social Security recipients, effective January 1, 2024.

- The COLA affects Social Security payments under Title XI and Title XVI of the Social Security Act.
- The full SSI standard (known as the Federal Benefit Rate) for one person will increase to \$943.

## What should you do?

Please give written notice of this rate increase to SSI, SSB and SSDI recipients who receive mental health residential services through your programs.

## **Questions?**

If you have any questions about this information, contact Kelly Knight, Non-Medicaid Services Payment via email kelly.c.knight@oha.oregon.gov