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ACCESS TO RECOVERY II
PROVIDER ALERT

DATE: December 12, 2008

SUBJECT: Authorization of Services

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 15, 2008

Year 2 of ATR's three year grant started on September 30, 2008. DMHAS has done an extensive analysis to project expenditures for Year 2 and has determined that program modifications are required at this time. These program modifications are necessary to ensure that expenditures stay within the current grant year's budget allocation. DMHAS will continue to monitor expenditures closely and make programmatic changes as needed to comply with the budget allotments in Years 2 and 3 as stipulated by the federal government.

Effective December 15, 2008, the following measures must be implemented:

Case Management, Faith-Based Services, Peer-based Services

Providers are limited to twenty-five (25) ATR clients at any one time. Providers that currently have more than 25 ATR clients will not receive authorizations for new clients until the provider has less than 25 active ATR clients.

All pending certification applications for new providers will be placed on hold.

Vocational/Educational Services

Providers are limited to twenty-five (25) ATR clients at any one time. Providers that currently have more than 25 ATR clients will not receive authorizations for new clients until the provider has less than 25 active ATR clients.

The maximum allowance for this service will be decreased from \$750 to \$500.



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Transportation – Bus Passes

The maximum allowance for this service will be decreased from 3 months to 2 months.

Basic Needs Vouchers

The maximum allowance for this service will be decreased from \$125 to \$100. Service recipients may receive \$40 for clothing, \$40 for food, and \$20 for personal care items.

Additionally, the \$50 voucher currently available during the 5th month of service, will no longer be available. Gift cards will continue to be available as a service recipient incentive to complete the follow-up GPRA.

Additional questions may be addressed to Jennifer Hutchinson, the ATR Program Manager, at 860-418-6829 or at Jennifer.Hutchinson@po.state.ct.us