State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
Department of Administration
Office of Management and Budget

Fiscal Note for Proposed Administrative Rules (R.I.G.L. § § 22-12-1.1)

Name of Administrative Rules:

Medicaid Integrated Health Care Coverage, SSI Financial Eligiblity Determinations (210-40-00-3)

Medicaid for Elders and Adults with Disabilities: Community Medicaid (210-40-05-1)

Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (PETI) (210-50-00-8)

Uniform Accountability Procedures for Title XIX Resident Personal Needs Funds in Community Nursing Facilities, ICF/DD Facilities, and Assisted Living Residences (210-50-05-2)

FISCAL IMPACT					
State Revenues		***State Expenditures***		***City/Town Expenditures***	
FY 2024	$0	FY 2024	$571,000	FY 2024	$0
FY 2025	$0	FY 2025	$571,000	FY 2025	$0
FY 2026	$0	FY 2026	$571,000	FY 2026	$0

Summary of Policy Change: Updates are being proposed to the following sections of regulation:

- 40-00-3.1.7(A)(2)(e)
- 40-05-1.9.3(A)(3)(b)(5)
- 210-50-00-8.5(C)(1)(a)
- 210-50-00-8.5(D)
- 210-50-00-8.6(A)(1)(a)
- 210-50-00-8.6(A)(1)(b)
- 210-50-05-2.4(G)(4) and (7)

These sections of regulation are being amended to indicate that Medicaid beneficiaries receiving LTSS services in nursing facilities are permitted to retain an addition $25 for their personal needs.

Summary of State Fiscal Impact: The personal needs allowance impacts the Medicaid program indirectly as the money allocated for personal needs cannot be paid toward the beneficiary's cost of care. Pursuant to the legislation that was passed, LTSS Medicaid beneficiaries will be permitted to retain an additional $25 each month for their personal needs and will not be required to pay that amount toward their cost of care. As of October 2022, there were 4,268 Medicaid LTSS beneficiaries in nursing facilities. Since each individual will be permitted to retain an additional $25 per month, this will result in an additional cost of approximately $1,290,000 annually divided between the state and federal government. Federal funds provided toward this cost will amount to approximately $720,000 and the remaining $571,000 will be funded by state general revenue.

City or Town Impact: None