



GAFC Rate Increase Effective September 20, 2024

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you that starting today, **September 20, 2024**, the **Group Adult Foster Care (GAFC)** program will see a **14.86% rate increase**. This adjustment will increase the current per diem rate from **\$43.53 to \$50**, ensuring the continued delivery of quality care and services. If this increase applies to your residence, please view the full memo [here](#). Please note that while it is referenced as “proposed”, state officials informed us of its approval at a GAFC stakeholder meeting yesterday.

Mass-ALA Advocacy Makes a Difference

We are proud to share that Mass-ALA’s advocacy efforts played a key role in securing this rate increase. By actively participating and testifying at the MassHealth and The Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) Rate Hearing on May 14, 2024, and engaging with legislators and regulators, we successfully voiced the need for adequate funding to support the quality care provided by assisted living communities. Our collective efforts were instrumental in convincing the MA EOHHS Office of Long Term Services and Supports, MassHealth, CHIA, and the Executive Office of Administration and Finance to approve this rate adjustment, and we remain committed to advocating for further improvements in the future.

If you have any questions, please contact us at Mass-ALA@mass-ala.org.

This update is solely for general informational purposes. It is not intended to replace a full review of the cited regulations or guidance.

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