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I am second generation provider getting into this business. I support to increase to 7 because it has been long overdue. Finally increasing to 7 people would be beneficial for everyone.

I have only been licensed for a year, officially. The Medicaid rates are absolutely insulting especially with how expensive it is to live today. I get caregivers that are asking 6K a month to work in my home. I have 3 Medicaid residents that barely pay for one caregiver. It would approximately take 2 to 3 Medicaid residents to pay for a one caregiver - that's if they are considered heavy care and IF I get approved for night care. I still haven't been paid in 2 to 3 months for 2 of my Medicaid residents. I constantly message the case manager's why I still haven't been paid by the state for my residents but to no avail. A lot needs to change in the Medicaid system.

Thank you.