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## DAAS ADMINSTRATIVE LETTER NO. 12-02

To: Area Agency on Aging Directors

County Department of Social Services Directors

Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health Combination Centers

Subject: Appropriate Billing of Unit Rates for Adult Day Care

and Adult Day Health Clients

Date: February 10, 2012

The purpose of this letter is to provide clarification regarding the appropriate billing for Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health services. Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health centers, which are known as combination programs, and can provide both adult day care and adult day health services.

The HCCBG planning process affords HCCBG Planning Committees the flexibility to fund the services needed in their respective counties. As HCCBG County Planning Committees begin planning for the next SFY 2013, DAAS wants to ensure the committees are aware that Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health Combination Centers can be funded for both Adult Day Care and Adult Day Health through HCCBG. HCCBG County Planning Committees may also decide to only fund Adult Day Care or Adult Day Health for a combination center.

If a combination center is funded for both Adult Day Care and Adult Day Health services, the participant assessment should reflect the appropriate level of care. HCCBG County Planning Committees should be cognizant of the difference in Adult Day Care and Adult Day Health unit rates. The current unit rate for daily care through HCCBG for Adult Day Care is \$33.07. The current unit rate for daily care through HCCBG for Adult Day Health is \$40.00. HCCBG County Budget Forms should accurately reflect the service(s) being provided.

A complete listing of all of North Carolina's certified Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health programs can be found at <a href="http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/adcadh.pdf">http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/adcadh.pdf</a>. If your county has one of these combination programs, you may want to consider funding both Adult Day Care and Adult Day Health services rather than funding one or the other. Funding of this nature would ensure flexibility and efficient utilization of HCCBG funds.

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Please call Kim Jacobs at (919) 855-3448 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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