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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM
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TO: STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY OF INDIVIDUALS RIGHTS
PROGRAM
INDEPENDENT LIVING, PART B PROGRAM
INDEPENDENT LIVING OLDER BLIND PROGRAM

SUBJECT: FY 2002 Reallotment Schedule for Formula Grants under the
Rehabilitation Act

CONTENT : The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, authorizes the Commissioner to reallot to other grant recipients that portion of a recipient's annual grant that cannot be used. To maximize the use of appropriated funds under the formula grant programs, RSA has established the following FY 2002 reallotment schedules for the Basic Support (Title I); Supported Employment (SE); Independent Living, Part B (IL); Client Assistance (CAP); Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR); and Independent Living Older Blind (IL-OB) programs.

Each grant recipient is requested to submit to its respective RSA Regional Office (RO), by the date indicated below, information as to whether or not it is relinquishing funds, is requesting additional funds, or will not seek to change its current award level. RSA Central Office (CO) will then issue award documents, by the date indicated, reflecting changes in cumulative funding for FY 2002.

REALLOTMENT SCHEDULE FOR FY 2002

All Formula Grant Programs

Grantees Report to RSA RO	8/15/2002
RSA CO Issues Awards	9/11/2002

In accordance with Section 19 of the Act, as added by the 1992 Amendments, any funds appropriated in FY 2002 to carry out the formula

grant programs covered by this information memorandum, including original allotments and reallocated funds that are not obligated or expended by recipients prior to October 1, 2002, may be carried over for obligation for an additional 12 months, **provided the recipient has fully met, by September 30, 2002, any matching requirement on the funds to be carried over.**

Funds reallocated to another State are considered to be an increase to that State's allotment for the fiscal year for which funds were appropriated.

Unobligated Balances

To minimize unobligated balances, grant recipients are strongly advised that proper recordkeeping is essential in order to identify obligations made.

Cancellation of Reallotment

If during the reallotment ample funds are not relinquished, RSA will exercise its discretion to cancel the reallotment for any program. RSA will notify grantees if a reallotment has been cancelled.

Reallotment Reporting Format

Please use the reporting format below to request increased, decreased, or unchanged amounts for each program. Submit the requested information, in writing (U. S. Mail or e-mail), for all formula grant programs. This will assure accurate and complete processing of all reallotment requests by RSA. All responses, regardless of delivery method, must be received by the due date specified above.

Program Name	
Requested Total Grant Amount	\$ _____
Increased or Decreased Amount	\$ _____

This is RSA's **only** written notice of the reallotment schedule for FY 2002. However, RSA regional representatives will contact each grantee, as a reminder, prior to each scheduled submission date. The dates noted above are firm: RSA expects all grantees to submit the requested information according to the specified dates and will issue awards by the date indicated (unless a reallotment is cancelled).

Basic Support Program

This year's reallocation for the Basic Support Program will be conducted by giving priority for reallocation of funds to States that received less than the 3.4 percent Consumer Price Index-Urban (CPIU) in FY 2002. Thirty-seven states failed to receive the CPIU increase level in their FY 2002 annual allotment. Based on past experience, RSA doubts that it will recover, in reallocation and Maintenance of Effort penalties, funds to provide the full CPIU adjustment to all 37 States. Actual distributions to some or all of the States below the CPIU increase will not be known until States submit the information necessary to conduct the reallocation.

INQUIRIES: Any questions concerning this Information Memorandum should be addressed to the Director, Financial Management and Information Systems Staff at (202) 205-8358.

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cc: Regional Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs (RRCEPs)
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