## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,	) ) )
v.	) C.A. No. 13-442-JJM-PAS
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, Defendant.	) ) )
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,	) ) )
v.	) C.A. No. 14-175-JJM-PAS
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, Defendant.	) ) ) )

## ORDER

Prior to submitting the Fiscal Year 2022 state budget, the State shall develop a three-year budget strategy that will address the budget assumptions and issues detailed in the Court Monitor's fiscal analysis; including, but not limited to:

- (a) providing annual increases for Direct Support Professionals wages in order to reach \$20.00 by Fiscal Year 2024;
- (b) providing proportional increases for other support staff;
- (c) providing increased funding for comprehensive plan development aligned with individual budgets;
- (d) providing increased funding for transportation;
- (e) providing a per capita amount for the acquisition of technology; and
- (f) providing funding to address the costs of transitioning Developmental Disabilities supports to an individualized community-based model.

These increases will be negotiated among the State and individuals who have intellectual and developmental disabilities, families, organizations that provide services and supports, and other stakeholders. These increases should be aligned with plans to transition services from center-based group models to community-based individualized models of support.

The State will identify other public and private funding that can be used to supplement the current system of funding and the supports and services provided to adults who have intellectual or developmental disabilities.

By June 2021, the State will complete the revision of all aspects of the Developmental Disabilities funding and reimbursement system that is currently underway.

Beginning in 2021, the Developmental Disabilities system will be included in the semi-annual caseload estimating conference.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

John J. McConnell, Jr.

Chief Judge

United States District Court

January 6, 2021