

## **OPWDD Targeted Inflationary Increase Notice – Dec. 8, 2025**

As part of the 2025–2026 State Budget, Citizen Advocates received a **2.6% Targeted Inflationary Increase (TII)** through the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD). These funds are intended to help providers address rising operational costs and maintain high-quality services for the individuals and families we support.

Citizen Advocates used these funds to help offset a range of increasing expenses across the organization, including:

- **Significant growth in employee health insurance costs** (an increase of approximately **13% in 2025** and a projected **20% increase in 2026**)
- **General inflationary cost pressures**, including supplies, technology, utilities, facility operations and other essential supports required to deliver safe, effective services
- **Rising regulatory and compliance-related expenses** necessary to meet state and federal requirements
- **Investments in service quality and continuity**, including resources that sustain program operations and ensure individuals continue to receive needed supports without interruption

These funds were applied in accordance with OPWDD guidelines to help maintain the stability of services during a period of elevated cost increases.

If you have any questions regarding the TII funding, please contact us at [HR@citizenadvocates.net](mailto:HR@citizenadvocates.net).