Stopping state budget cuts to our programs & Voting on our tentative contract agreement

**Mandatory, paid meeting for Addus Union E**

Dear Member,

This has been another tough year, but our hard work in the legislature and at the bargaining table is making a difference for caregivers.

We’ve made huge headway to stop cuts to long-term care in the legislature—our phone calls, letter writing and lobbying in Olympia have brought a new budget proposal that would overturn the governor’s proposed cuts to agency rates. Even so, we’re still fighting legislative proposals that are making gains on Medicaid-funded work difficult.

Your union—SEIU Healthcare 775NW—and Addus management will be holding joint information meetings on what we can do together to ensure the best possible outcome as the state budget is finalized by the March 8 deadline. You will receive pay for attending.

At these meetings we will also provide detail on the new tentative contract agreement with Addus that protects our pay scale and health insurance benefits, increases our mileage reimbursement and improves hazard pay standards for serious communicable diseases. After reviewing the proposed contract changes, we will vote on the agreement.

A complete listing of the times and dates for all Addus meeting locations below. We’ll see you there.

Meeting Times and Locations

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| **Date** | **Time** | **Meeting Location** | **Street Address** | **City/State/Zip** |
| 3/12/2012 | 1:00 pm | Quality Inn | 700 Port Drive | Clarkston, WA 99403 |
| 3/12/2012 | 1:00 pm | Kennewick Library - Room A & B | 1620 S. Union Street | Kennewick, WA 99338 |
| 3/12/2012 | 1:00 pm | Longview Public Library | 1600 Louisiana St | Longview, WA 98632 |
| 3/13/2012 | 10:00 am | Red Lion - Gulls Nest | 100 Columbia Street | Vancouver, WA 98660 |
| 3/13/2012 | 1:00 pm | Davenport Hotel - Isabella Room | 10 S Post Street | Spokane, WA 99201 |
| 3/13/2012 | 1:00 pm | Hilton Garden Inn - Cascade Room | 401 E Yakima Ave | Yakima, WA 98901 |
| 3/14/2012 | 1:00 pm | Best Western | 820 Koala Drive | Omak, WA 98841 |
| 3/14/2012 | 1:00 pm | Wenatchee Public Library | 310 Douglas Street | Wenatchee, WA 98801 |
| 3/15/2012 | 1:00 pm | Pizza Factory | 662 South Main Street | Colville, WA 99114 |
| 3/15/2012 | 1:00 pm | Ramada Inn | 1745 E. Kittleson Road | Moses Lake, WA 98837 |
| 3/16/2012 | 1:00 pm | Kent Senior Center | 600 East Smith Street | Kent, WA 98031 |
| 3/16/2012 | 1:00 pm | Holiday Inn Express | 1433 West Pine Street | Walla Walla, WA 99362 |