



Division of Senior and Disabilities Services
Update for Governor's Council – May 2024
Director Tony Newman

Budget Changes from Legislature

- **Adult Day Services Grants** - \$1.5 million
- **Community Based Grants** - \$1.5 million
- **Environmental Modifications** – Intent language: raise the \$18,500 per project cap for e-mods to \$40,000 per project and extend the project time
- **General Relief - Assisted Living Homes** – increase daily rate from \$104.30 to \$112.55
- **Rate Increases for Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services** - \$10 million
- **Autism Services Rate Increases**

...all on their way to Governor for consideration.

New Federal Rules Impacting SDS

Medicaid Access Rule

Older Americans Act Rule

Adult Protective Services Rule

Disability Discrimination and Accessibility Changes

- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
- Americans with Disabilities Act
- Affordable Care Act

Two Exciting Initiatives . . .

**Comprehensive Medicaid Rate
Methodology Analysis**

**Direct Care Workforce –
Technical Assistance for Alaska**