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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** August 27, 2013  
**TO:** Distribution List  
**SUBJECT:** **Rescinding Division Circular #33 “Self-Determination”**

Effective August 27, 2013, the Division of Developmental Disabilities (Division) has rescinded Division Circular #33 “Self-Determination” as well as the Self-Determination Allowable Costs Guidelines. The Self-Determination program has been closed to new participants since 2003, and all remaining participants were notified in January of 2013 that these policies would be phased out over time and that Self-Determination participants would be expected to follow the Self-Directed Services Policy Manual. There will be no changes for current participants until they meet with staff to develop a service plan that identifies services based on assessed needs in accordance with applicable policies, along with any appropriate transition plan.

For additional information please see the “Frequently Asked Questions: Changes to the Self-Determination Program” document posted on the Division’s website at:  
[http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/documents/Documents%20for%20Web/SelfDeterminationFAQs\\_2.2013.pdf](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/documents/Documents%20for%20Web/SelfDeterminationFAQs_2.2013.pdf).

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