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Local Commissioners Memorandum

Section 1

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| To: | Local District Commissioners |
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| Division/Office: | |
| Date: | August 27, 2015 |
| Subject: | Temporary Assistance Questions and Answers |
| Contact | Temporary Assistance Bureau at (518) 474-9344 |
| Person(s): | Employment and Advancement Services Bureau at (518) 486-6106 |
| | Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Bureau at (518) 473-1469 |
| | Medical Assistance: Upstate Regional Representative at (518) 474-8216 |
| | New York City Representative at (212) 268-6855 |
| Attachments: | Attachment 1 – Temporary Assistance Questions and Answers |
| Attachment Available Online: | |

Section 2

I. Purpose

The Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) charges the Center for Employment and Economic Supports (CEES) with responding to inquiries from local Social Services Districts (SSDs) on a variety of Temporary Assistance (TA) issues. This Local Commissioners Memorandum (LCM) contains the most recent set of questions and answers on TA issues.

II. Background

The questions and answers attached to this document relate only to TA. Questions and answers on Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) policy are provided periodically under separate cover. The employment manual includes the most recent set of questions and answers on employment policy. Home Energy Allowance Program (HEAP) policy, including questions and answers, is provided through the annual issuance of the HEAP manual.

If you have questions regarding this release, please contact the TA Bureau directly at the above referenced telephone number.

III. Program Implications

Medicaid policy may differ from TA policy. Sanctions or requirements applying to TA programs may not apply to Medicaid. Any questions about Medicaid policy should continue to be directed to the appropriate New York State Department of Health (DOH) local liaison.

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