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TO: Local District Commissioners, Medicaid Directors

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SUBJECT: Empire State Wage Act of 2004 - New York State Minimum Wage

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

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The intent of this GIS is to inform Local Districts of Budget Bulletin G-1032 from the Executive Department, Division of Budget. Chapter 747 of the Laws of 2004 (the Empire State Wage Act) increases New York State's minimum wage from the current level of \$5.15 per hour to:

- \$6.00 per hour on January 1, 2005;
- \$6.75 per hour on January 1, 2006; and
- \$7.15 per hour on January 1, 2007.

Districts should be aware of these changes when reviewing cases involving employed recipients at time of renewal.