

**TO:** Local District Commissioners, Medicaid Directors

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**SUBJECT:** Medicaid Regional Rates for Calculating Transfer Penalty Periods for 2015

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The purpose of this General Information System (GIS) message is to inform local departments of social services of the year 2015 Medicaid regional rates which must be used to determine a transfer penalty period for coverage of nursing facility services. This is in accordance with 96 ADM-8, "OBRA '93 Provisions on Transfers and Trusts" and 06 OMM/ADM-5, "Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 - Long-Term Care Medicaid Eligibility Changes." These rates are based on average private pay nursing home costs in each of the seven regions in the State.

<p><b>Central</b>                    <b>\$8,768</b></p> <p>Broome                    Jefferson                    Oswego Cayuga                    Lewis                    St. Lawrence Chenango                    Madison                    Tioga Cortland                    Oneida                    Tompkins Herkimer                    Onondaga</p>	<p><b>Northern Metropolitan</b>                    <b>\$11,455</b></p> <p>Dutchess                    Ulster Orange                    Westchester Putnam Rockland Sullivan</p>
<p><b>Northeastern</b>                    <b>\$9,414</b></p> <p>Albany                    Fulton                    Saratoga Clinton                    Greene                    Schenectady Columbia                    Hamilton                    Schoharie Delaware                    Montgomery                    Warren Essex                    Otsego                    Washington Franklin                    Rensselaer</p>	<p><b>New York City</b>                    <b>\$11,843</b></p> <p>Bronx                    Queens Kings (Brooklyn)                    Richmond (Staten Island) New York (Manhattan)</p> <p><b>Long Island</b>                    <b>\$12,390</b></p> <p>Nassau Suffolk</p>

<p><b>Western</b>                    <b>\$9,442</b></p> <p>Allegany                    Niagara Cattaraugus                    Orleans Chautauqua                    Wyoming Erie Genesee</p>	<p><b>Rochester</b>                    <b>\$10,660</b></p> <p>Chemung                    Seneca Livingston                    Steuben Monroe                    Wayne Ontario                    Yates Schuyler</p>
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Reminder: Districts must use the rate for the region in which the facility is located.