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TO: All Local District Commissioners

FROM: Ann Clemency Kohler, Deputy Commissioner
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SUBJECT: Care At Home Renewed Waiver Approval

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

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The purpose of this GIS is to notify local social services districts (LSSD) that the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) approved the Department of Health's request to combine the Care At Home I, Care At Home II and Care At Home V waivers into one waiver and to add an additional 200 slots for disabled children who would otherwise require an inpatient hospital level of care.

The recent approval means that the Department will have available a total of 800 Care At Home (CAH) slots, 400 slots for disabled children requiring skilled nursing facility level of care (the current CAH I and CAH V programs combined) and 400 slots for disabled children requiring inpatient level of care (the current CAH II program plus 200 new slots).

To assure HCFA that New York State will serve no more individuals in the waiver than are identified above, the Department will identify all children requiring nursing facility level of care as CAH I (Recipient/Exception [R/E] code 62) and all children requiring inpatient hospital level of care as CAH II (R/E code 63). There will no longer be a CAH V program. With the termination of the CAH V program, children currently identified in the system with a R/E code 66 (CAH V) will, in the future, be moved to R/E code 62 (CAH I). The affected LSSD's and CAH case management providers will be notified as the Department moves forward in this effort and necessary systems support.