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TO: Local District Commissioners, IM Directors, Medicaid Directors, WMS Coordinators

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SUBJECT: Continuing Responsibility of District When Recipient Moves to Another District

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately '

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This is a clarification of required action when a Temporary Assistance recipient is also a Medicaid recipient and moves from one social services district to another social services district within the State.

Social Services Law, Section 62.5(a), states that in the event a public assistance recipient moves to another district, the original district of fiscal responsibility must continue both the public assistance and Medicaid through the month following the month of move. Medicaid must not be terminated prior to the closing date for public assistance in these circumstances.

Currently, the Welfare Management System (WMS) generates a Medicaid closing date that is equal to 10 days following the closing transaction date, unless worker intervention is taken. Until WMS is modified to generate a closing date that is equal to the public assistance closing date, workers must enter the appropriate Medicaid "to" date on screen 5 to correspond to the public assistance closing date.

You will be informed when WMS has been modified to address this policy. If you have any further questions about this message or the district of fiscal responsibility policy, please contact the above individuals.