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**TO:** Commissioners; TA & FS Directors; WMS Coordinators

**FROM:** Russell Sykes, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Employment and Transitional Supports

**SUBJECT:** New York State Nutrition Improvement Program (NYSNIP) Benefit Levels

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediately

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Attached below is the current food stamp benefit matrix for New York State Nutrition Improvement Program (NYSNIP). The matrix was most recently modified in response to the recent increases in the Standard Utility Allowances (SUA). Upstate WMS ABEL Transmittal 05-7, released in advance of the SUA mass re-budgeting, contained the new amounts for NYSNIP benefit tiers affected by the increase in the full Heating/AC SUA. The most recent NYSNIP matrix is also available through CentraPort under the link to 'Desk Guides'.

**NYSNIP BENEFITS MATRIX BY SHELTER TYPES**  
*Effective February 1, 2006*

|   |                     | MONTHLY FOOD STAMP BENEFIT AMOUNT |                |              |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
|   |                     | New York City                     | Nassau/Suffolk | Upstate      |
| <b>Shelter Type 94 (High Shelter/SUA)</b> | <b>SSI Only</b>     | <b>\$152</b>                      | <b>\$152</b>   | <b>\$150</b> |
|   | <b>Other Income</b> | <b>\$152</b>                      | <b>\$152</b>   | <b>\$141</b> |
| <b>Shelter Type 95 (Low Shelter/SUA)</b>  | <b>SSI Only</b>     | <b>\$107</b>                      | <b>\$99</b>    | <b>\$84</b>  |
|   | <b>Other Income</b> | <b>\$100</b>                      | <b>\$92</b>    | <b>\$77</b>  |

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|---|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Shelter Type 96 (High Shelter/ No SUA)</b>   | <b>SSI Only</b>     | <b>\$30</b> | <b>\$30</b> | <b>\$30</b> |
|   | <b>Other Income</b> | <b>\$22</b> | <b>\$22</b> | <b>\$22</b> |
| <b>Shelter Type 97 (Low Shelter/ No SUA)</b>    | <b>SSI Only</b>     | <b>\$20</b> | <b>\$20</b> | <b>\$20</b> |
|   | <b>Other Income</b> | <b>\$16</b> | <b>\$16</b> | <b>\$16</b> |
| <b>Shelter Type 98 (No Shelter or SUA Data)</b> | <b>SSI Only</b>     | <b>\$20</b> | <b>\$20</b> | <b>\$20</b> |
|   | <b>Other Income</b> | <b>\$16</b> | <b>\$16</b> | <b>\$16</b> |