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**TO:** Commissioners, TA Directors, FS Directors, Staff Development Coordinators

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

**SUBJECT:** Group Home Standardized Benefits (GHSB) Adjustments

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2007

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We have secured federal approval for adjustments in the Group Home Standardized Benefit (GHSB) amounts as follows:

	TA Income	SSI/SSA income	Other Income, No TA or SSI/SSA income
NYC, Nassau, Rockland, Suffolk, Westchester	<b>\$89</b> (Was \$86)	<b>\$37</b> (Was \$39)	<b>\$54</b> (Was \$51)
Rest of State	<b>\$93</b> (was \$90)	<b>\$42</b> (was \$44)	<b>\$143</b> (Was \$140)
All Districts Supervised /Supportive Apartment/Enriched Housing Eligible for full HT/AC SUA	<b>\$155</b> (Was \$152)	<b>\$155</b> (Was \$152)	<b>\$155</b> (Was \$152)

These benefit standards apply to all group home recipients in shelter types 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, and 42.

**NYC Shelter Types 15, 16, 17, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 42, 43, 47 and 48.** (N/A for Homeless or Domestic Violence shelter residents)

The new GHSB standards were migrated into the Upstate WMS system on November 11, 2006. Information regarding the WMS mass rebudgeting/reauthorization of GHSB cases was provided in ABEL Transmittal 06-4.