

TO: Local District Commissioners, Medicaid Directors

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SUBJECT: Medicaid Regional Rates for Calculating Transfer Penalty Periods
for 2009

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This is to inform local districts of the year 2009 Medicaid regional rates which must be used to determine a transfer of assets penalty period. 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 nursing home costs in each of the seven regions in the State.

The regional rates are:

Region	Monthly Regional Rate
Central	\$6,938
Long Island	\$10,852
New York City	\$9,838
Northeastern	\$7,766
Northern Metropolitan	\$9,439
Rochester	\$8,720
Western	\$7,418

Reminder: Districts must use the rate for the region in which the facility is located. The Attachment to 06 OMM/ADM-2 contains a listing of counties by region.