

# NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

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# **Informational Letter**

#### Section 1

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Transmittal:	09-INF-19			
To:	Local District Commissioners			
Issuing Division/Office:	Center for Employment and Economic Supports			
Date:	October 19, 2009			
Subject:	Revisions to:			
	LDSS-4836: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report"			
	LDSS-4836-SP: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report Spanish"			
	LDSS-4836 NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC"			
	LDSS-4836-SP NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC"			
	LDSS-4841: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet"			
	LDSS-4841-SP: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet"			
Suggested Distribution:				
Contact Person(s):	Policy Questions: Food Stamp Bureau @ 518-473-1469			
	Forms Questions: Kelly Whitney @ 1-800-343-8859, ext. 3-7991			
Attachments:	LDSS-4836: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report"			
	LDSS-4836-SP: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report Spanish"			
	LDSS-4836 NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC"			
	LDSS-4836- SP NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC"			
	LDSS-4841: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet"			
	LDSS-4841-SP: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet"			
Attachment Available On –				

## **Filing References**

Previous ADMs/INFs	Releases Cancelled	Dept. Regs.	Soc. Serv. Law &	Manual Ref.	Misc. Ref.
		•	Other Legal Ref.		

ABEL 03-6 08-INF-19 GIS 0 GIS 0 GIS T 04-LC NYSN	9 TA/DC004 9 TA/DC002 9 TA/DC001 9 TA/WMS001 A/DC 032 M-13 IP Benefits E:4-1-09	
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#### Section 2

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of this release is to inform local districts that the following forms have been revised (copies attached):

- LDSS-4841: "NYSNIP Food Stamp Case Information Collection Sheet" (Rev.4/09)
- LDSS-4836: "NYSNIP Food Stamp Benefits Interim Report" (Rev.4/09)
- LDSS-4836 NYC: "NYSNIP Food Stamp Benefits Interim Report NYC" (Rev.4/09)

#### II. Background

The NYSNIP Information Collection Sheet (LDSS-4841) and NYSNIP Food Stamp Benefits Interim Reports (LDSS-4836) and (LDSS-4836 NYC) are being updated to reflect changes in the New York State Nutrition Improvement Project (NYSNIP) budgets based upon changes to the Thrifty Food Plan (TFP) and SSI Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA).

#### III. Forms Revisions

NYSNIP Information Collection Sheet (LDSS-4841)

- 1. The revision date has been changed to 4/09.
- 2. "Section 1"
  - a. Question #2, the shelter threshold has been changed to \$229.
- 3. "Important Information Section",
  - a. Opening paragraph- benefit amount has been increased to \$200.
  - b. Bullet #2- delete language referring to public, private or subsidized housing, and increase shelter cost to \$425 per month.
  - c. Delete 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet which referred to public or subsidized housing and heat inclusion but paying for separate utility.
  - d. Add new 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet "If your monthly income decreases by \$75 or more due to a reduction in your SSI grant".

#### NYSNIP Food Stamp Benefits Interim Report (LDSS-4836 and LDSS-4836 NYC)

- 1. The revision dates have been changed to 4/09.
- 2. "Questions You Must Answer"
  - a. Question #1, the shelter threshold has been changed to \$229.
- 3. "Important Information"
  - a. Bullet #1- benefit amount has been changed to \$200.
  - b. Bullet #2- increase shelter cost to \$425.
  - c. Delete 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet which referred to public or subsidized housing and heat inclusion but paying for separate utility.
  - d. Add new 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet "If your monthly income decreases by \$75 or more due to a reduction of your SSI grant".

#### IV. Forms Ordering Information

- The revised English versions of the LDSS-4836: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report", the LDSS-4836 NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC", the LDSS-4841: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet" and the "other than English" versions LDSS-4836-SP: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report Spanish", LDSS-4836 SP NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC" and LDSS-4841 SP: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet" are not State printed but are available to local districts in PDF format or as master camera ready copies. The procedures for ordering PDFs or master camera ready copies are listed below.
- The above-referenced documents have also been posted on the OTDA Intranet website at <a href="http://otda.state.nyenet/ldss\_eforms/default.htm">http://otda.state.nyenet/ldss\_eforms/default.htm</a> and are available for downloading by local districts for reproduction locally.
- Upon the release of this INF, all previous versions of the LDSS-4836: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report", the LDSS-4836 NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC", the LDSS-4841: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet" and the "other than English" versions LDSS-4836-SP: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report Spanish", LDSS-4836-SP NYC: "NYSNIP FS Benefit Interim Report NYC" and LDSS-4841-SP: "NYSNIP FS Case Information Collection Sheet" must immediately be destroyed and replaced with the revised 4/09 version.
- Any future written requests for master camera ready copies of the English and "other than English" versions of the documents, should be submitted on OTDA-876: "Request for Forms or Publications", and should be sent to:

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance BMS Documentation Services and Operational Support PO Box 1990 Albany, NY 12201 • Download and complete OTDA-876 Form (<a href="http://otda.state.nyenet/psqi/eforms/OTDA-876-Req">http://otda.state.nyenet/psqi/eforms/OTDA-876-Req For Documents or Publications.dot</a>) and e-mail form to <a href="mailto:gg7359@dfa.state.ny.us">gg7359@dfa.state.ny.us</a>.

Questions concerning ordering forms should be directed to BMS Document Services at 1-800-343-8859, ext. 4-9522.

• For a complete list of available forms, please refer to the OTDA Intranet site: <a href="http://otda.state.nyenet/ldss\_eforms/default.htm">http://otda.state.nyenet/ldss\_eforms/default.htm</a> .

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