



## Local Commissioners Memorandum

### Section 1

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<b>Attachments:</b>	<a href="#">Attachment 1 – Questions and Answers Regarding the Implementation of Administrative Directive 23-ADM-10</a>

### Section 2

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of this Local Commissioners Memorandum (LCM) is to provide social services districts (districts) with supplemental information regarding the implementation of [23-ADM-10 - Temporary Assistance Budgeting: New Earned Income and Training Disregard Measures Authorized in the SFY 2023-24 State Budget](#).

#### II. Background

On December 22, 2023, the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) issued 23-ADM-10 to advise districts about two new earned income disregard (EID) measures for Public Assistance (PA) recipients enacted in the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023-24 New York State Budget:

- A disregard from PA budget calculations on all earned income a recipient earns from a new job entry for a maximum of six consecutive months, once per lifetime, provided that the individual’s overall income does not exceed 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for their household size.
- A disregard on all earned income that a PA recipient derives from participation in a qualified work activity or training program, also provided that the individual’s overall income does not exceed 200% of the FPL for their household size.

Both of the new EID measures went into effect on December 29, 2023.

23-ADM-10 presented guidance for districts on implementing the new EIDs, including instructions for manual budgeting, tracking, and client notices for the interim period while systems enhancements are being developed to assist with these procedures. Throughout the process of

developing this guidance, OTDA worked to solicit district feedback and incorporate local eligibility staff input. The attached document, *Questions and Answers Regarding the Implementation of Administrative Directive 23-ADM-10*, reflects questions and case-specific scenarios that district supervisors and staff raised throughout this process. The responses to these questions provide further guidance that should be of interest to all districts.

### III. Program Implications

Please share the attached document, *Questions and Answers Regarding the Implementation of 23-ADM-10* with your PA/SNAP Eligibility and Employment staff.

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