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TO: Commissioners and TA Directors

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SUBJECT: Save the Date for Upstate Regional Temporary Assistance (TA) Conference Calls

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

CONTACT PERSON: Temporary Assistance Bureau at 1-800-343-8859; Ext. 4-9344

The purpose of this message is to announce a series of upstate regional conference calls for local district temporary assistance (TA) staff. Recognizing potential travel limitations, we decided to conduct conference calls in lieu of regional meetings to provide both State and local district staff with the opportunity to discuss current TA policy issues. It will be a chance to discuss new policy, clarify current policy and provide technical assistance by State staff from the TA Bureau and other State staff, and network with other local district staff.

TA Bureau staff from the NYS OTDA Center for Employment and Economic Supports will host these sessions. Some of the topics to be covered are child support pass-through, Electronic Interim Assistance Reimbursement (EIAR) implementation and Energy Policy updates. Participation is limited to two call-in sites per district. Larger counties with multiple sites may require more sites, and may contact the TA Bureau for approval of these additional sites. The target audience for these sessions is TA Directors and TA Supervisors who have responsibilities for supervising local TA policy.

There will be four sessions, but constraints on the number of participants per session limits local district participation to only one session. An Agenda and Participant Access information will be forthcoming prior to the dates of the sessions. The TA Bureau will send this material under a separate "Dear IM Director" letter.

These sessions will be October 29, October 30, November 4 and November 6, 2009 from 10:00 to 11:30 am. For participant access, **please call 1-877-985-3373 and enter Participant Pass code 4700378**. Below is schedule of counties and dates. Please locate your local district from the lists below, and join us on your assigned date and time. We look forward to a productive meeting.

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1. Allegany
2. Clinton
3. Chenango
4. Franklin
5. Genesee
6. Livingston
7. Nassau
8. Niagara
9. Orleans
10. Putnam
11. Rockland
12. Suffolk
13. Westchester
14. Wyoming

October 30, 2009

1. Broome
2. Cayuga
3. Cortland
4. Jefferson
5. Monroe
6. Oneida
7. Onondaga
8. Ontario
9. Oswego
10. Seneca
11. St. Lawrence
12. Wayne
13. Yates

November 4, 2009

1. Albany
2. Cattaraugus
3. Chautauqua
4. Chemung
5. Columbia
6. Dutchess
7. Erie
8. Essex
9. Greene
10. Hamilton
11. Herkimer
12. Rensselaer
13. Schuyler
14. Sullivan
15. Ulster

November 6, 2009

1. Delaware
2. Fulton
3. Lewis
4. Madison
5. Montgomery
6. Orange
7. Otsego
8. Saratoga
9. Schenectady
10. Schoharie
11. Steuben
12. Tioga
13. Tompkins
14. Warren
15. Washington