General Information System (GIS) Message

Section 1

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Section 2

The purpose of this GIS is to advise social services districts (districts) that the issuance of SNAP Emergency Allotment (EA) supplements for September to about 75,000 households in Rest of State social services districts has been delayed. All recipients of the supplements in districts outside of New York City had been scheduled to receive them by Saturday 9/26/20.

The missed EA supplements will be issued automatically by OTDA on 10/5 and 10/6, and will be available to households the day after issuance, on 10/6 and 10/7, respectively.

Additionally, an Exception Report listing those cases in this missed cohort that were unable to be automatically issued the EA supplements will be generated for district action. The cases for the 75,000 households that have not yet received their September EA supplement were not included on the initial Exception Report.

The EA supplements were authorized by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 and are being issued, in accordance with the terms of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) memorandum of March 20, 2020, to households that otherwise would not receive the maximum SNAP benefit for the household’s size.

For further information about the September issuance of EA supplements please see GIS 20 TA/DC088.

These supplements will be issued using Payment Type Code 97 with a J in the Claim Code field. An Upstate Systems GIS will be issued providing further details.

OTDA will provide further information about the schedule of “clean-up” runs at a later date.