



# Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance

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## General Information System (GIS) Message

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### Section 1

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<b>Suggested Distribution:</b>	Commissioners, SNAP Directors, TA Directors, WMS Coordinators, Medicaid Directors
<b>From:</b>	Jeffrey Gaskell, Deputy Commissioner Employment and Income Support Programs
<b>Subject:</b>	New Notice of Death Match Results-Implementation Update
<b>Effective Date:</b>	Immediately
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### Section 2

The purpose of this GIS is to advise social services districts (districts) the monthly match process the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) conducts with the Social Security Administration (SSA) to compare identifiable information for individuals the SSA has determined are deceased against individuals in receipt of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance (TA), Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) benefits or Medicaid (MA) which was modified to include the new Notice of Death Match Results Pending Verification as described in [20 TA/DC106](#) will begin with the January 2021 match process and not the December 2020 process.

Additionally, as described in [20 TA/DC106](#), workers must enter Anticipated Future Action (AFA) code 126 on WMS Screen 4 (SSA DEATH MATCH INFO INACCURATE- CLIENT NOT DECEASED) to stop further processing of the death information. These matched individuals will be excluded from the SSA match process for 3 months during which time the individual should be advised to provide the SSA with verification that he/she is not deceased. The system will generate the AFA end date as the last day of the month that is 90 days from the transaction date. For example, if AFA code 126 is processed on a case on 12/23, the system generated end date will be the last day of the third month out from the transaction date or 3/31. Additionally, there is a corresponding edit requiring any manually entered end date be no more than 4 months out from the transaction date.

Please note: these changes will apply to New York City cases in 2021 and a NYC specific directive will be issued separately. A more comprehensive policy directive about the new Notice of Death Match Results Pending Verification will also be issued separately.