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TO: Local District Commissioners, Medicaid Directors

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SUBJECT: Internet Posting of the Medicaid Reference Guide

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This GIS message is to notify local districts that the February and March 2005 update to the Medicaid Reference Guide (MRG) has been posted to the Department of Health's website. Included are updates to a number of pages in the following five (5) sections of the MRG: Glossary, Category, Income, Resources, and Other Eligibility Requirements. The updated MRG may be accessed at:

http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/reference/mrg.

Within each of the five sections of the MRG you can use the search function to locate specific information in that section. For example, to determine Medicaid treatment of student loans as income and resources, the Income and Resource sections of the MRG would be searched for student loans.

Hard copies of the updates will be mailed under separate cover.

If you have questions regarding the distribution of the MRG or its updates, please contact Yvonne Lewandowski at (518) 473-5458. All policy questions should be directed to your local district liaison.