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Division: Income Maintenance

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Final AFDC Data Analysis Report for 10/1/90 through 9/30/91

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment I - Data Analysis Report - Final Report
Statewide AFDC-QC Reviews, Overpayments and Ineligibles
10/1/90 through 9/30/91 Review period (With Upstate Case
Detail) - not available on-line

The attached report details the AFDC Quality Control data for the annual
10/90-9/91 period. Questions regarding this release may be directed to
Sandy Borrelli, Bureau of Field Operations, by calling 1-800-342-3715 ext.
4-4127.

The statewide AFDC error rate has decreased slightly from 5.8% for the
Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) ending 9/90 to 5.6% for the FFY ending 9/91.
Upstate, the error rate showed a slight increase from 6.0% to 6.2%. In New
York City, the error rate decreased from 5.7% to 5.1%. It should be noted
that conclusions about this period's final error rate cannot be based on
this report. This report should be viewed as an indicator of potential
problem areas and used for corrective action planning.

Upstate, Earned Income and Living Arrangements/Household Composition
continue to be the principal error elements accounting for 23% and 15% of
the total error dollars respectively. Further, there has been a dramatic
increase in the number of client caused payment errors in both of these
error elements. Client caused payment errors have increased from 52% to 90%
for Earned Income and from 53% to 76% for Living Arrangements/Household
Composition.

For Earned Income, the principal agency error was failure to budget
earned income. The principal client error was failure to report all
earned income for the review month. To reduce these errors,
supervisors and line staff should be encouraged to review 91 LCM-224
Attachment II - Model RFI Procedures.
o For Living Arrangements/Household Composition, the principal agency error continues to be failure by local district staff to properly identify those individuals who should have been included in the filing unit. The principal client error was failure to inform district of individuals entering or leaving the household. To reduce these errors, staff should focus on current case composition and household membership at recertification.

Additionally, you should be aware that there has been an increase in the number of cases lacking an SSN or SS-5. Staff should be encouraged to review the WINR 5126 report and take immediate action on cases identified as having no SSN.

I want to commend you and your staff on your commitment to the Corrective Action planning process. I am confident that continued cooperative efforts will enable us to achieve our error reduction goals.

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