TO:       Local District Commissioners
SUBJECT: Nursing Home Directory

ATTACHMENTS:  "Finding a Nursing Home in New York State"
(Not Available On-Line)

Enclosed is a copy of a consumer directory from the New York State Department of Health entitled Finding a Nursing Home in New York State. This directory will provide district staff and applicant/recipients with information designed to aid consumers in the selection of a nursing home.

The directory provides the user with a list of nursing homes operating in New York State along with guidelines for visitation and inspection of skilled nursing facilities. It also provides contact numbers for Area Agencies for Aging, and information related to "advance directives."

Agencies or individuals may obtain multiple copies of the guide by writing to:

Publications
New York State Department of Health
Box 2000
Albany, New York 12220
Single copies may be obtained by writing to the address found on the inside back cover of the guide.

The Department hopes that this brochure will be a valuable tool for your district. If you have any questions, please contact Priscilla L. Ferry, Division of Health and Long Term Care, at 1-800-343-8859, extension 3-5498.

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