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Dear Administrator:

This letter contains information for your Assisted Living Program (ALP) Medicaid reimbursement rates for calendar year 2026.

The individual survey results from the 2026 ALP minimum Wage surveys have been incorporated into the January 1, 2026 ALP rates effective in cycle 2569, check release date 12/2/2026.

The adjusted rates include an increase for the minimum wage rate for NYC, Long Island and Westchester providers to $17.00 per hour, or $19.65 for eligible home care workers. The adjusted rates for providers in the rest of the state include an increase to $16.00 per hour, or $18.65 for eligible home care workers. The proposed rates include applicable fringe, in accordance with the Minimum Wage Act (Article 19 of the New York State Labor Law).

The provider-specific rates have been posted for your information at the following location under **ALP 2026 Minimum Wage Add-On**: https://www.health.ny.gov/facilities/long_term_care/reimbursement/alp/

If you have any questions regarding the Minimum Wage Increase, please send an email with the subject line **ALP January 2026 Minimum Wage Increase** to ALP-Rates@health.ny.gov

Sincerely,

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