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**TO:** Local Commissioners, MA Directors

**FROM:** Betty Rice, Director, Division of Consumer & Local District Relations

**SUBJECT:** Congregate Care Levels I & II Rates for Rockland County

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2000

**CONTACT PERSON:** Local District Liaison Unit: Upstate (518) 474-9130  
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Recent changes in Social Services Law (Chapter 514 of the Laws of 1999) provide for additional State aid for aged, blind, and disabled persons residing in a Congregate Care Level I or Congregate Level II facility in Rockland County. For Medicaid purposes, effective January 1, 2000, residents in Rockland County Congregate Care Level I and Level II facilities will be entitled to the same standard of need as New York City, Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester counties. Rockland County will be able to access the new Congregate Care Level I and Level II rates by using Shelter codes:

- 15 - Congregate Care Level I  
(NYC, Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester, and Rockland)
- 16 - Congregate Care level II  
(NYC, Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester, and Rockland)

Any questions should be directed to your Local District Liaison Unit, upstate at (518) 474-9130 or in New York City at (212) 268-6855.