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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Long Term Home Health Care Program Members

**FROM:** Anne Hill, Community Services Policy Analyst

**DATE:** April 10, 2009

SUBJECT: CMS Approves Extension of LTHHCP Waiver Through July 14

**ROUTE TO:** Administrators, Program Directors

ABSTRACT: CMS extends LTHHCP waiver though July 14.

The Department of Health (DOH) recently requested the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for another extension of the Long Term Home Health Care Program (LTHHCP) waiver. CMS authorized an extension of the waiver through **July 14**. The waiver was operating under a temporary extension through April 15.

NYAHSA has learned that the Department and CMS are attempting to resolve the spousal budgeting issue through amendment to New York's 1115 waiver demonstration program. NYAHSA will provide additional details as we learn them.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the contents of this memo, you may contact Anne Hill at <u>ahill@nyahsa.org</u> or 518-449-2707, ext. 141.

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