## NOTICE TO ALL RECIPIENTS OF

## Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and/or Temporary Assistance Cash Benefits (TA) with Medicaid (MA)

## **IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ!**

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) is automatically extending certain TA/MA/SNAP and SNAP only recertifications scheduled to expire in March, April and May for a period of three (3) months (see below). The COVID-19 pandemic prevented some households from submitting recertification forms in a timely manner.

For the certification periods ending 3/31/20, 4/30/20, 5/31/20 and 6/30/20, a six (6) month extension of SNAP or TA/MA/SNAP benefits has been approved for cases throughout the State.

March Recertifications: Only cases whose certification periods were scheduled to end in March 2020 and were NOT processed for recertification were extended. If your recertification was processed and the district determined your case to be no longer eligible for SNAP or TA/MA/SNAP benefits due to excess income, failure to provide required documentation or another reason, your household was not eligible for an extension. Those cases eligible for the extension were automatically authorized for six (6) additional months of SNAP or TA/MA/SNAP benefits, allowing time for a recertification determination to be made.

If your case was scheduled to recertify by March 31, 2020, and did not get processed, your case must now be recertified by September 30, 2020. Your benefits WILL END if you do not recertify.

If your case was scheduled to recertify by April 30, 2020, and did not get processed, your case must now be recertified by October 31, 2020. Your benefits WILL END if you do not recertify.

If your case was scheduled to recertify by May 31, 2020, and did not get processed, your case must now be recertified by November 30, 2020. Your benefits WILL END if you do not recertify.

If your case was scheduled to recertify by June 30, 2020, and did not get processed, your case must now be recertified by December 31, 2020. Your benefits WILL END if you do not recertify.