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TO: Participating Agency Chief Executive Officers  
and Health Benefits Administrators  
FROM: The Employee Benefits Division  
SUBJECT: NYSHIP Regional Meetings for Participating Agencies  
DATE: October 22, 2001

We are pleased to announce the 2001 New York State Health Insurance Program Regional Meetings for Participating Agencies. The agenda will include discussion of the 2001 Empire Plan experience, the projected rate schedule for 2002, an update of Plan benefits by the Empire Plan carriers and several important administrative and regulatory issues. In addition, there will be a session for review/update of NYBEAS and a concurrent session for Chief Executive Officers and their representatives on policy issues including the rate setting process.

You are invited to attend one of the following meetings:

**Thursday, November 8, 2001 --- 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Holiday Inn – Saratoga Springs (Saratoga County)  
232 Broadway  
Saratoga Springs, New York

**Tuesday, November 13, 2001 --- 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Bear Mountain Inn & Conference Center (Rockland County)  
Bear Mountain, New York

**Wednesday, November 14, 2001 --- 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Sheraton Long Island Hotel (Suffolk County)  
110 Vanderbilt Motor Parkway  
Smithtown, New York

We hope you will be able to attend one of these meetings. Please return the enclosed reservation form by Monday, November 5, 2001, so that we may finalize luncheon arrangements and plan for adequate materials. If you have any questions, please call the Employee Benefits Division at (518) 485-1771.

**DIRECTIONS TO MEETING SITES ARE ON REVERSE SIDE**

## **DIRECTIONS TO MEETING SITES**

### **Holiday Inn – Saratoga Springs (Saratoga County)**

(Phone No. (518) 584-4550)

**From the West:** Take I-90 East (Thruway). Exit at Amsterdam. Take a right to Route 67 to Ballston Spa. Take Route 50 North. Take Route 9. Holiday Inn is on the right.

**From the North:** Take I-87 South (Northway). At Exit 14, take a right onto Union Avenue. Bear right at first stop sign. Take a left at first stoplight. Take Route 9 North. Holiday Inn is on the right.

**From the South:** Take I-90 North (Thruway) to Exit 24. Take I-87 (Northway) to Exit 13N (Route 9). Continue on Route 9. Holiday Inn is on the right.

### **Bear Mountain Inn & Conference Center (Rockland County)**

(Phone No. (845) 786-2731)

**From Tappan Zee Bridge:** Over bridge to Exit 13(N) (Palisades Parkway). Approximately, 1.5 miles past Exit 19 is a traffic circle, take the first right off the circle (9W South) to traffic light, make a right. The Inn is 200 feet on the right.

**From Albany:** Take the New York State Thruway South to Exit 16, this is the Harriman Exit (Route 6 East), follow Route 6 East to the Palisades Parkway North, follow the Palisades for 2 miles to a traffic circle, take first right off the circle (9W South) to traffic light, make a right. The Inn is 200 feet on the right.

### **Sheraton Long Island Hotel (Suffolk County)**

(Phone No. (631) 231-1100)

**From the West:** Take Long Island Expressway to Exit 53. Take a left onto Wicks Road. Take a right onto Motor Parkway. Hotel is about 100 yards ahead on left.

**From the East:** Take Long Island Expressway to Exit 53. Take a right onto Motor Parkway. Hotel is about 50 yards ahead on left.

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**PARTICIPATING AGENCY REGIONAL MEETINGS  
RESERVATION FORM**

*Agency Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Agency Code* \_\_\_\_\_

*Agency Address* \_\_\_\_\_ *Work Phone #*(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

***PARTICIPANT'S NAME(S):***

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

***CIRCLE THE MEETING YOU WILL ATTEND:***

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**ALL RESERVATION FORMS SHOULD BE MAILED OR FAXED TO THIS OFFICE  
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5th:**

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