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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Department for Aging is requesting the Legislature's approval for the following;

To accept the Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) grant from New York State Office for Aging which was awarded in December. This grant funding is used to support health insurance information counseling and assistance programs for seniors within Albany County. It will concentrate on those Medicare beneficiaries eligible for the Medicare Part D Low Income Subsidy (LIS) Program or Medicare Savings Program (MSP). Funding is also provided for direct assistance with an emphasis to rural areas of Albany County. During the past contract year there were 720 Medicare recipients that received counseling and screened for MIPPA services which includes assistance in application completion. There were 795 older adults that received outreach material that consisted of the Medicare Preventative Health and Wellness flyer.

Grant Award Amount – \$19,092.00
Grant Term – 9/30/2019 to 3/31/2020
Funding Source – Federal - 100% County - 0%
Budget Amendment – No
Revenue Account – A6772 . 04779

Sincerely,

Deborah C. Riitano
Commissioner

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader
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