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Dear Providers and Plans:

This is to advise providers and plans of an addition to the universal billing codes issued by the Department of Health in the December 7th, 2017 [letter](#). As you know, the New York State Public Health Law requires universal standards for coding of payment for home and community based long term care services claims.

Table one below demonstrates the universal billing codes being published to support policy effective August 1, 2024, where FI administrative payments will move to a non-risk distribution methodology for Medicaid Managed Care (MMC) enrollees. Please see the [May 2024 Medicaid Update](#) for additional details.

Table 1.

Tier	Rate Code	Number of Direct Care Hours Per Month Per Consumer
1	2443	1 – 159 Hours
2	2444	160-479 Hours
3	2445	480 Hours and Above

The Department is requiring the implementation of billing codes by **October 2024**.

Sincerely,  
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