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NEW YORK HEALTH PLAN ASSOCIATION ON 2025 EXECUTIVE BUDGET PROPOSALS

Statement by Eric Linzer, HPA President and CEO

“While we recognize the budget challenges facing the state, we are disappointed with the significant cuts of over \$600 million to Medicaid health plans included in FY25 Executive Budget.

“This includes a 1% reduction to health plan rates totaling more than \$400 million and \$223 million by eliminating funding for the Quality Incentive Program, which supports a broad range of initiatives aimed at addressing health disparities and improving health outcomes for underserved populations across the state. Further, the budget reintroduces a proposal to procure the Medicaid managed care program, which would take away options and disrupt the care for more than 6 million New Yorkers that the Legislature rejected two years ago.

“These provisions run counter to the goals of the recently approved 1115 Medicaid Waiver to advance health equity, reduce health disparities, and enhance care coordination in New York, and we urge the Legislature to reject these proposals and restore the cuts.”

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