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NEW YORK HEALTH PLAN ASSOCIATION ON FEDERAL APPROVAL OF ESSENTIAL PLAN TRANSITION

Statement by Eric Linzer, HPA President and CEO

“We commend the Hochul Administration for securing final federal approval to preserve the Essential Plan (EP), which will mitigate the impact of funding cuts as a result of HR 1 and allow the state to maintain coverage for nearly 1.3 million people. Efforts must now focus on supporting individuals who will no longer be eligible for EP in the coming months and those affected by the loss of the enhanced premium tax credits. State policymakers should redirect the funding that was set aside in the event of federal denial of the state’s application, along with the additional revenue the state will receive through the MCO tax, to help New Yorkers maintain coverage.”

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