

# Client Alert

## February 1, 2023

### **GOVERNOR HOCHUL ISSUES PROPOSED FY 2023-2024 BUDGET IMPLICATIONS FOR CDPAP**

We are in the process of conducting a full review of the proposed budget and we will deliver updates. We note that Gov. Hochul's proposed budget includes language that would:

\* Replace wage parity in the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) with subsidies so that workers can purchase comprehensive health insurance on the New York State of Health Exchange. The proposed budget would provide eligible CDPAP workers earning between 250–400% of the Federal Poverty Level with State-funded supplemental premium assistance to offset the elimination of wage parity in CDPAP.

\* Prohibit, as of January 1, 2024, entities from providing, directly or through contract, fiscal intermediary services without an authorization as a fiscal intermediary issued by the commissioner. The proposed budget language states that the commissioner may issue regulations, including emergency regulations, clarifying the authorization process, standards and time frames.

\* Repeal sections of the Social Services Law implemented in last year's budget to require Lead FI awards be made to fiscal intermediaries who satisfied the requirements of having served, at any time during the period January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020, at least 200 CDPAP consumers in New York City or 50 CDPAP consumers in the rest of the state.

While there is a long process ahead before the April budget deadline, the proposed budget would have obvious implications to fiscal intermediaries including the initial 68 Lead FI award winners, as well as those who recently submitted attestations for consideration of additional awards.

Please contact our office with your questions about the proposed budget language and it's potential impact to your business.

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