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**SALLY DRESLIN, M.S., R.N.**Executive Deputy Commissioner

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Mr. Kenneth Shulman Assistant Comptroller New York State Office of the State Comptroller 110 State Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Albany, New York 12236

Dear Mr. Shulman:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 170 of New York State Executive Law, I hereby transmit to you a copy of the New York State Department of Health's comments related to the Office of the State Comptroller's final audit report 2018-S-10 entitled, "Improper Medicaid Payments to a Transportation Provider."

Please feel free to contact Estibaliz Alonso, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Governmental and External Affairs at (518) 473-1124 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Sally Dreslin, M.S., R.N.

**Executive Deputy Commissioner** 

Enclosure

cc: Estibaliz Alonso

## Department of Health Comments on the Office of the State Comptroller's Final Audit Report 2018-S-10 entitled, Improper Medicaid Payments to a Transportation Provider

The following are the Department of Health's (Department) comments in response to the Office of the State Comptroller's (OSC) Final Audit Report 2018-S-10 entitled, "Improper Medicaid Payments to a Transportation Provider."

## Recommendation #1

Review the \$1.4 million in Medicaid payments to the transportation provider and recover any inappropriate payments, as warranted.

## Response #1

The Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG) has an open active investigation on this provider. Upon completion of the investigation, OMIG will determine an appropriate course of action.