



## CONNECTIONS Bulletin

### Placement Module Information, Training, and RIST Meetings

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**The Placement Module is almost here!**

**Statewide Rollout is expected October 18th, 2019**

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**The Placement Search and Referral Module will be required for all foster care placements...**

- ◇ Placement is the new CONNECTIONS module that will be used statewide to assist with matching child(ren) with the most appropriate foster care setting.
- ◇ The module will be used for ALL foster placement types, including traditional foster homes, relative foster homes, therapeutic foster homes, residential settings, group homes, SILPS, and agency operated boarding homes.
- ◇ It will be the only way to generate an initial placement (M910 code) in Activities, as well as the only way to generate transfers in Activities (M980 and M981 codes).

#### **How to prepare...**

- ◇ Make sure your staff emails are in CONNECTIONS
- ◇ Document each foster child's characteristics
- ◇ Document each resource's characteristics
- ◇ Discuss your agency's business process with staff to eliminate unnecessary stress and confusion
- ◇ Determine what business functions & notifications will need to be assigned
- ◇ Contracts between LDSS's and foster care agencies must be entered in CONNECTIONS
- ◇ Sign up for Placement training!



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## What is the Placement Module?

The Placement Module in CONNECTIONS is designed to assist districts and voluntary agencies in searching for and matching children to the best available foster care placement. It standardizes the placement process, will provide for more stability, and will positively impact the safety, permanency, and well-being of children in foster care.



In June 2018, windows were implemented in CONNECTIONS that support preparatory actions for the Placement module. These actions include the recording of appropriate child characteristics, resource characteristics, and special restrictions. CONNECTIONS will use this information—along with information on licensed capacity, setting, program types, language, and proximity and school address information—to help identify the best match. Additionally, the Email tab was implemented for recording staff business email addresses, in order for workers with assigned notification permissions to receive email notifications from CONNECTIONS.

Several useful reports were also released within CONNECTIONS that combine and display the preparatory information collected to assist workers in making placement decisions.

Phase 3 of the Placement Module will be piloted in September 2019, with expected statewide rollout in mid-October 2019. The new search and match function will be required, and will allow for a pool of appropriate placement options to be provided for children entering foster care, or moving between placements. Workers will send referrals to desired resources and record placements within the Placement Module. Lastly, placements made within the placement module will carry over to the Activities module as a pending placement record, requiring Activities staff to navigate to and confirm the activity. This roll out will also include a number of new placement-related reports.



# CONNECTIONS Training Bulletin

## Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS *Classroom Training*

### TRAINING LENGTH

Three hours

### RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

This course assumes familiarity with functionality implemented in Phases 1 and 2 of the Placement Build in CONNECTIONS.

### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration in STARS/HSLC is required. (<https://www.hslcnys.org/hslc>).

**Please note:** There are no training fees charged to local district social services and voluntary agency personnel for CONNECTIONS trainings.

### TRAINING HANDOUTS

Printable handouts are accessible from the HSLC confirmation email. Please verify the accuracy of staff email addresses recorded in HSLC.

### PURPOSE

The Placement module in CONNECTIONS is designed to assist districts and voluntary agencies in matching children to the best available foster care placement, thereby providing more stability for these children and positively impacting their safety, permanency, and well-being. This half-day training will instruct participants on the placement process in CONNECTIONS, starting with initiating a placement request and concluding with verifying the placement. Trainees will be provided with hands-on practice, discussions, and demonstrations that reinforce key documentation in CONNECTIONS.

### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of completing this course, participants will be able to:

- ✓ initiate a placement request and save it to the *Placement Dashboard* window.
- ✓ navigate to the *Placement Dashboard* window to review and maintain request details in preparation for a Placement Search.
- ✓ update Placement Status and complete a Placement Search.
- ✓ submit a placement referral to the desired resource(s).
- ✓ within CONNECTIONS, place a child with a resource and verify his/her placement.

### INTENDED AUDIENCE

District and voluntary agency workers who are involved in determining placements for children in Investigation (INV), Family Services Intake (FSI), and Family Services (FSS) stages



Questions regarding this course or inquiries regarding special requests can be directed to: [CONNECTIONS@albany.edu](mailto:CONNECTIONS@albany.edu)





# CONNECTIONS Training Bulletin

## Initiating the Placement Request in CONNECTIONS

### WebEx Training

#### TRAINING LENGTH

Two hours

#### RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

This course assumes familiarity with functionality implemented in Phases 1 and 2 of the Placement Build in CONNECTIONS.

#### REGISTRATION

Pre-registration in STARS/HSLC is required. (<https://www.hslcnys.org/hslc>).

**Please note:** There are no training fees charged to local district social services and voluntary agency personnel for CONNECTIONS trainings.

#### TRAINING HANDOUTS

Printable handouts, as well as a link to join the class, are accessible from the HSLC confirmation email. Please verify the accuracy of staff email addresses recorded in HSLC.

#### PURPOSE

The Placement Module in CONNECTIONS will streamline a multitude of processes for many district and agencies that handle foster care placement outside of the CONNECTIONS application. This training will focus on the request for placement services to include recording placement details such as critical address information, resource parameters, and child and placement options. Trainees will be provided with hands-on practice, discussions, and demonstrations that reinforce key documentation in CONNECTIONS.

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of completing this course, participants will be able to:

- ✓ identify the overall purpose of the placement request process.
- ✓ access the Placement window and identify the window components.
- ✓ initiate and record details for a placement request, and identify Resource Search parameters.
- ✓ record placement request information using the Child Options section links.
- ✓ record Priority Criteria for the placement request.
- ✓ explain the use of the Place(d) on Dashboard checkbox.

#### INTENDED AUDIENCE

District and voluntary agency workers who will initiate placement requests in CONNECTIONS



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# Training Registration

Please contact your Training/Staff Development Coordinator to sign up for classes

Preregistration for all classes is required in the Human Services Learning Center (HSLC) - <https://www.hslcnys.org>.

To locate all CONNECTIONS Trainings scheduled in HSLC, search using the following:

Provider: **SUNY Albany – PDP**

Content: **Systems Connections**

Questions regarding these or other CONNECTIONS trainings, feel free to send an email to:

[CONNECTIONS@albany.edu](mailto:CONNECTIONS@albany.edu)

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## *“Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS”*

### 3 hour classroom training

#### Region #1: Buffalo

Class Title	Region	Class Site	Class Status	Start Date	Start Time
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Chautauqua County DHHS	Open Nomination	09/11/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Chautauqua County DHHS	Open Nomination	09/11/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Chautauqua County DHHS	Open Nomination	09/12/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	09/18/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Genesee County Dept. of Social Services	Open Nomination	09/25/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Genesee County Dept. of Social Services	Open Nomination	09/25/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Genesee County Dept. of Social Services	Open Nomination	09/26/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Genesee County Dept. of Social Services	Open Nomination	09/26/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Genesee County Dept. of Social Services	Open Nomination	09/27/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/08/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/08/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/10/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/10/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DL</a>	Region 1	Erie County DSS	Open Nomination	10/11/2019	09:00 AM

## Region #2: Rochester

Class Title	Region	Class Site	Class Status	Start Date	Start Time
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/18/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/18/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/19/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/19/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC</a>	Region 2	Monroe County DHS-Westfall	Open Nomination	09/20/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP</a>	Region 2	Chemung County DSS	Open Nomination	09/24/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP</a>	Region 2	Chemung County DSS	Open Nomination	09/24/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP</a>	Region 2	Chemung County DSS	Open Nomination	09/25/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP</a>	Region 2	Chemung County DSS	Open Nomination	09/25/2019	01:00 PM

## Region #3: Syracuse

Class Title	Region	Class Site	Class Status	Start Date	Start Time
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM LC</a>	Region 3	Cortland County DSS	Open Nomination	09/04/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC</a>	Region 3	Cortland County DSS	Open Nomination	09/04/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC</a>	Region 3	Cortland County DSS	Open Nomination	09/05/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM LC</a>	Region 3	Cortland County DSS	Open Nomination	09/05/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC</a>	Region 3	Cortland County DSS	Open Nomination	09/06/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM LC</a>	Region 3	Cortland County DSS	Open Nomination	09/06/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM AC</a>	Region 3	Broome County DSS 4th floor Conference Room	Training Full	09/25/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM AC</a>	Region 3	Broome County DSS 4th floor Conference Room	Open Nomination	09/25/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM AC</a>	Region 3	Broome County DSS 4th floor Conference Room	Open Nomination	09/26/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM AC</a>	Region 3	Broome County DSS 4th floor Conference Room	Open Nomination	09/26/2019	01:00 PM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM AC</a>	Region 3	Broome County DSS 4th floor Conference Room	Open Nomination	09/27/2019	09:00 AM
<a href="#">Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM AC</a>	Region 3	Broome County DSS 4th floor Conference Room	Open Nomination	09/27/2019	01:00 PM

## Region #4: Albany

Class Title	Region	Class Site	Class Status	Start Date	Start Time
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM BB	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/05/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM BB	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/05/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM BB	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/06/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/12/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/12/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/13/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/13/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM LC	Region 4	Franklin County DSS	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC	Region 4	Franklin County DSS	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC	Region 4	Franklin County DSS	Open Nomination	09/18/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/24/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/24/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/24/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM LC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	09/24/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	10/10/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM LC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	10/10/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM LC	Region 4	Training Center (OCFS Human Services)	Open Nomination	10/11/2019	09:00 AM

## Region #5: Westchester

Class Title	Region	Class Site	Class Status	Start Date	Start Time
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Suffolk County DSS	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Suffolk County DSS	Open Nomination	09/17/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Nassau County DSS Computer Lab Lower Level	Open Nomination	09/18/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Nassau County DSS Computer Lab Lower Level	Open Nomination	09/18/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Dutchess County Community & Family Services	Open Nomination	09/19/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Dutchess County Community & Family Services	Open Nomination	09/19/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Dutchess County Community & Family Services	Open Nomination	09/20/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Dutchess County Community & Family Services	Open Nomination	09/20/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC	Region 5	Suffolk County DSS	Open Nomination	10/01/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC	Region 5	Suffolk County DSS	Open Nomination	10/01/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC	Region 5	Nassau County DSS Computer Lab Lower Level	Open Nomination	10/02/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC	Region 5	Nassau County DSS Computer Lab Lower Level	Open Nomination	10/02/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/08/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/08/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC	Region 5	Sullivan County DSS	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC	Region 5	Sullivan County DSS	Open Nomination	10/08/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM DC	Region 5	Sullivan County DSS	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM DC	Region 5	Sullivan County DSS	Open Nomination	10/09/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/10/2019	09:00 AM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - PM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/10/2019	01:00 PM
Completing the Placement Module in CONNECTIONS - AM JP	Region 5	Abbott House	Open Nomination	10/11/2019	09:00 AM









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# Regional Implementation Support Team (RIST) Meetings

## Discussion Topics, Locations & Dates

*\*\*These meetings are intended to be an overview of upcoming features; they are not training sessions\*\**

The **CONNECTIONS** Implementation Team is hosting regional RIST meetings for local district and voluntary agency staff, to provide an overview of the new functionality being deployed in **CONNECTIONS**. New features and how to prepare locally will be discussed for the following system enhancements:



- ◆ **Placement Module**
- ◆ **Document/Photo Uploads**
- ◆ **Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS) Update**

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### Region #1: Buffalo

#### Meeting Location & Times

9/4/19	1 PM-3 PM	Erie County Training Center at Apple Tree Business Park, 2875 Union Road, Cheektowaga NY 14227 (Suite 9 Resource Room 107, 108 & 109)
9/6/19	1 PM-3 PM	Niagara County DSS Building, 301 10th Street Niagara Falls NY 14303 Room 209

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**Region #2: Rochester** *RSVP REQUIRED*

**Meeting Location & Times**

9/16/19	10AM– 1PM	Ontario Safety Training Facility 2914 County Rd 48 Canandaigua, NY 14424
9/20/19	10AM– 1PM	Ontario Safety Training Facility 2914 County Rd 48 Canandaigua, NY 14424

**Region 2 Implementation Staff**

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**Region #3: Syracuse** *RSVP REQUIRED*

**Meeting Locations & Times**

9/26/19	9:30 AM– 12:30 PM	Oswego Catholic Charities, 808 West Broadway, Fulton NY 13069
9/27/19	9:30 AM– 12:30 PM	William George Agency, 380 Freeville Road, Freeville NY 13068

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## Region #4: Albany

### Meeting Locations & Times

9/20/19	1PM– 4PM	OCFS Human Services Training Center, 164 Columbia Turnpike Rensselaer NY 12244
9/25/19	10:30AM– 12:30PM	Franklin County DSS, 184 Finney Blvd, Malone NY 12953

### Region 4 Implementation Staff

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## Region #5: Westchester (Former Spring Valley) *RSVP REQUIRED*

### Meeting Locations and Times

9/24/19	10 AM-12 PM	Hauppauge Regional Office, 250 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge NY 11788 (2nd Floor Video Conference Room)
9/26/19	10 AM- 12:30 PM	Children's Home Of Poughkeepsie, 10 Children's Way, Poughkeepsie NY 10 AM-12:30 PM (Living Room)
09/27/19	10 AM- 12:30 AM	Westchester DSS, 112 E. Post Road, White Plains NY 10601 (6th floor, room 601)

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**Region #6: New York City****Meeting Locations and Times**

9/25/19	10 AM-12 PM	ACS Children's Center 492 First Avenue, New York, NY 10016
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***The CONNECTIONS Website has the above trainings and various other helpful resources available?***

**The Placement Training Schedule:** <https://ocfs.ny.gov/connect/training/>

**Placement Module FAQ's :** <https://ocfs.ny.gov/connect/imp/>

**CONNECTIONS Job Aids & Tip Sheets:** <https://ocfs.ny.gov/connect/jobaides/jobaides.asp>

# The CONNECTIONS Team is here to help!

- As always, **CONNECTIONS Implementation Staff** will be available to offer on-site support as necessary. A contact list of each district and agency's assigned implementation specialist can be found on the CONNECTIONS [Intranet](#) and [Internet](#) pages.
- **CONNECTIONS Triage:** [ocfs.sm.connections\\_app@ocfs.ny.gov](mailto:ocfs.sm.connections_app@ocfs.ny.gov)

## *Questions, Comments or Suggestions*

- Email Us: [connections@ocfs.ny.gov](mailto:connections@ocfs.ny.gov)

