Emergency Justification

This emergency rule is necessary due to the COVID-19 public health emergency in the State of New York. On March 7, 2020 Governor Cuomo declared a disaster emergency based on the travel related and community transmission of COVID-19. This emergency is necessary to clarify for the field the priority of complying with public health guidance for the care of young children in child care programs. The regulation is designed to support the enforcement of additional guidance of any future health emergencies. To do so this emergency rule changes Title 18 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York Parts 413, 414, 415, 416 and 417, and Subparts 418-1 and 418-2.