The Department is pleased to share with you the CCDBG State Plan which has been approved by the Administration for Children and Families of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (see Attachment A). The New York State CCDBG program is operational as of October 1, 1991. The most important changes to the CCDBG State Plan are those relating to eligibility and priority determinations. Please review these sections (particularly Section 3.5) carefully.

An LCM with program instructions and allocations will be released in the near future. Questions related to the plan may be directed to Christina Hay, Bureau of Child Care at (518) 474-9324 or 1-(800) 342-3715 ext. 4-9324.

The CCDBG program represents an opportunity to expand and increase the quality, availability and accessibility of child care in our state. We believe this plan reflects our continuing commitment to strengthening the child care services delivery system in New York State.

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