TO:       Local District Commissioners  

SUBJECT:  Child Support Incentives  

ATTACHMENT:  Attachment #1 - Schedule of Actual Collections and Expenditures FFY 92 (Available On-Line)  
Attachment #2 - Schedule of Actual ADC Incentives FFY 92 (Available On-Line)  
Attachment #3 - Schedule of Actual Non-ADC Incentives FFY 92 (Available On-Line)  
Attachment #4 - Comparison of Actual Versus Reported Incentives FFY 92 (Available On-Line)  
Attachment #5 - Estimated ADC and Non-ADC Incentives (Available On-Line)  

ACTUAL INCENTIVE CALCULATION  

The Department has received the actual IV-D child support incentives earned by New York State from the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Support Enforcement, for the federal fiscal year October 1, 1991 through September 30, 1992 (FFY 92). ADC and Non-ADC incentives earned by New York State for that period totalled $23,205,564.  

Of this $23,205,564 statewide incentive, Chapter 53 of the Laws of 1991 and 1992 authorizes the Department to retain up to $5,500,000 in incentives for state fiscal year (SFY) 1991-92 and $6,500,000 for SFY 1992-93 respectively. Since FFY 92 encompasses the last half of SFY 1991-92 and the first half of SFY 1992-93, $2,750,000 (1/2 of $5,500,000) was retained as the state share of incentives for the period October 1, 1991 - March 31, 1992 and $3,250,000 (1/2 of $6,500,000) was retained for the period April 1, 1992 - September 30, 1992. The amount remaining for distribution to local districts is $17,205,564.
Attachment #1 provides a summary of collections and expenditure amounts for the reporting period October 1, 1991 through September 30, 1992 which were used to determine each district's actual incentives.

Attachments #2 and #3 contain the calculation of actual ADC and non-ADC incentives (after the above-referenced state share amount is deducted) for each district based on the incentive methodology outlined in regulation 18 NYCRR Part 347.16(e).

Attachment #4 contains the adjusted incentive amounts (from estimated incentives reported on Schedule A-1 to actual incentives) which will be processed by the Department’s Local Assistance Unit on the next settlement for each district.

ESTIMATED INCENTIVE CALCULATION

New York State also received estimated incentives for FFY 94 which total $24,871,000; $11,568,000 for ADC incentives and $13,303,000 for non-ADC incentives. This estimate is based upon collection and expenditure figures projected by the federal OCSE. From this amount, Chapter 53 of the Laws of 1993 authorizes the Department to retain up to $7,500,000 in incentives for SFY 93-94. As of this writing, Chapter 53 of the Laws of 1994 has not been passed, however the amount of incentives the Department is authorized to retain is expected to be the same as SFY 93-94 ($7,500,000). Again, since FFY 94 encompasses the last half of SFY 93-94 and the first half of SFY 94-95, the Department will retain $3,750,000 (1/2 OF $7,500,000) for the period October 1, 1993 to March 31, 1994 and $3,750,000 (1/2 of $7,500,000) will be used as the state share for the period April 1, 1994 through September 30, 1994. The estimated amount remaining for local district distribution is $17,371,000.

Attachment #5 contains the estimated incentives which should be reported on Schedule A-1 (Summary of Title IV-D Collections and Distributions) for each month through September 1994. These amounts were estimated by applying the actual cost benefit ratios for the period October 1, 1991 through September 30, 1992, against the estimated incentives provided by the federal OCSE.

Local IV-D staff do not have to submit supplemental claims for the adjustment to actual incentives earned for the period October 1, 1991 through September 30, 1992 (see attachment #4). However, staff must report the new estimated incentives beginning with the first Schedule A-1 due after receipt of this LCM.
Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to the Office of Child Support Enforcement, Kevin Boyle, at (800)342-3012, extension 30544. (OA USERID 0CS240)

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