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Division: Administration

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: SFY 1998/99 Child Protective Services Federal
Claiming Restriction

ATTACHMENTS: SFY 1998/99 Child Protective Services Federal
Claiming Restriction Allocations
(Available on-line)

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide social services districts with their State Fiscal Year (SFY) 1998/99 Child Protective Services (CPS) Federal Claiming Restriction Allocations. The Title XX appropriation language in Chapter 53 of the Laws of 1998, establishes a \$95,000,000 Statewide claiming restriction for CPS expenditures. The claiming restriction requires that districts claim and receive reimbursement for a portion of their CPS expenditures from their allocations of Title XX funds (see 98 LCM-19), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) funds transferred to Title XX (see 98 OCFS LCM 5), and/or TANF funds set aside for child welfare services under the Emergency Assistance to Families (EAF) program (see 98 OCFS LCM-4). Districts which meet their CPS federal claiming restriction allocation amounts will be eligible to receive 65% State reimbursement for the remaining portion of their CPS claims in accordance with Section 153-g of the Social Services Law, as added by Chapter 58 of the Laws of 1998.

In accordance with the appropriation language, the Office has allocated the \$95,000,000 to social services districts based on each district's CPS claims under both the Title XX and EAF programs during Federal fiscal year (FFY) 1996/97, net of any retroactive payments and adjustments. District allocations were determined by the percentage amount which each district's FFY 1996/97 total CPS expenditures under these two federal

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programs bears to the total Statewide FFY 1996/97 CPS Title XX and EAF expenditures. The allocations are shown in the attachment to this memorandum.

Under the appropriation language, a district must claim its CPS expenditures against its allocation of Title XX funds and/or its allocation of TANF funds transferred to Title XX up to the district's federal claiming restriction allocation amount set forth in the attachment. The amount of XX funding including TANF funds transferred to Title XX that a particular social services district must use for CPS expenditures will be reduced dollar for dollar by the amount such district claims to and receives reimbursement for CPS expenditures under its allocation of TANF EAF child welfare services funds.

Local social services districts will be provided with electronic calculation tools to assist in determining whether it will be more advantageous for a district to meet its CPS claiming restriction amount with Title XX funds, TANF funds transferred to Title XX, TANF EAF child welfare services funds or some combination thereof. Although each district must determine initially the amount of CPS expenditures it will claim to the various federal funding streams, the Office will recalculate each district's CPS and other Title XX services claims at the end of the SFY and will move claims among the federal and State claiming categories as needed to maximize the amount of federal and State reimbursement available to the district.

If the Office determines at the end of the SFY that a social services district's claims for CPS expenditures which could be reimbursed from the district's Title XX, TANF funds transferred to Title XX and TANF EAF child welfare services allocations combined is less than the district's CPS claiming restriction allocation amount, then the Office may authorize the district to expend the unused portion of its claiming restriction allocation amount for other allowable claims. Procedures for such authorization will be disseminated to districts at a later date.

Information/Questions Contact

To request additional information or to ask questions regarding these allocations, contact:

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Allocation of \$95M

District	Allocation
Albany	\$1,992,150
Allegany	248,900
Broome	1,240,700
Cattaraugus	422,750
Cayuga	319,200
Chautauqua	874,000
Chemung	651,700
Chenango	183,350
Clinton	550,050
Columbia	242,250
Cortland	382,850
Delaware	418,000
Dutchess	1,273,000
Erie	3,416,200
Essex	205,200
Franklin	280,250
Fulton	316,350
Genesee	348,650
Greene	262,200
Hamilton	14,250
Herkimer	326,800
Jefferson	735,300
Lewis	151,050
Livingston	443,650
Madison	313,500
Monroe	4,353,850
Montgomery	274,550
Nassau	4,345,300
Niagara	1,080,150
Oneida	1,106,750
Onondaga	3,617,600
Ontario	570,000
Orange	2,633,400
Orleans	254,600
Oswego	832,200
Otsego	417,050
Putnam	254,600
Rensselaer	596,600
Rockland	1,975,050
St. Lawrence	585,200
Saratoga	570,000
Schenectady	1,016,500
Schoharie	182,400
Schuyler	125,400
Seneca	285,000
Steuben	465,500
Suffolk	5,354,200
Sullivan	631,750
Tioga	249,850
Tompkins	560,500
Ulster	983,250
Warren	205,200
Washington	287,850
Wayne	441,750
Westchester	5,846,300
Wyoming	181,450