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**New York State
Office of
Children &
Family
Services**

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Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor

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Commissioner

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Dear Commissioner:

The provision of post-adoption services remains vital to many families who have adopted children, especially for those who have adopted through the child welfare system. The Office of Children and Family Services is committed to identifying connections to the services most frequently sought by adoptive families in need of support. We have listed on our website a tab that lists Post-Adoption Help for Families at http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/adopt/post_adoption/. There families can find resources and information about adoption, along with a list of programs that we fund through the TANF Post Adoption funds and links to other sites with information of post-adoption services.

We encourage you to provide a listing of the post-adoption services you offer or contract for on your county website as well. Providing this information to adoptive families on your website will make it easier for families within your county to get connected with the resources they need. We would also encourage you to link our webpage to your website so families can determine what services may be available across New York State.

Should you have any questions, please contact your regional office for assistance.

Sincerely,

/S/ LMV 3/22/12

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Deputy Commissioner
Child Welfare and Community Services

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