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Division: Commissioner's
Office

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Three Informational Brochures

ATTACHMENTS: I. Twenty Frequently Asked Questions About New York
State's Social Services Programs
II. Where Does the Money Go?
III. FRAUD Prevention and Control
(Not Available On-Line)

The attached brochures were developed as a series of general information booklets in response to local commissioners' concerns regarding the need to educate the public and, in particular, locally elected officials about the business of "Social Services".

Twenty Frequently Asked Questions about New York State's Social Services Programs addresses many of the most basic questions about what social services are all about. This revised booklet includes information regarding the legal basis for our social services and addresses specific program issues often raised. (publication number 201)

Where Does the Money Go?, revised with 1992 costs and caseload (the last complete year of data), this booklet provides factual information and a basic understanding of the cost of the complex array of services which operate under the aegis of the Departments of Social Services. (publication number 202)

FRAUD Prevention and Control is the newest booklet in this series. This booklet addresses the various types of fraud and government efforts to detect and prevent fraudulent activities. (publication number 203)

It is my hope that you find this material a useful tool as the work we do continues to come under public scrutiny. I encourage you to share these booklets with your staff, your county legislators, your advisory boards and community agencies. Please contact the forms warehouse at (518) 432-2505 to order additional copies (include publication number with your order).

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If you have any questions regarding this memorandum or have suggestions for other informational booklets, please contact Patricia O'Neill (0co060) at 518 474-4152.

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