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Division: Economic Security

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Centralized Collection and Disbursement of Child Support:
Evaluation Report

ATTACHMENTS: "Centralized Collection and Disbursement of Child Support
Payment Operations in New York" Report - (Not Available
On-Line)

The purpose of this LCM is to transmit a copy of "An Evaluation of Centralized Collection and Disbursement of Child Support Operations in New York". This report is the result of an independent evaluation of the centralized process by which child support payments for the New York's child support enforcement program caseload are received from non-custodial parents, accounted for, and disbursed to custodial parents and local social services districts.

The attached report was completed after six months of operation involving approximately twenty-five percent of the State's child support payments. By employing innovative technology and economies of scale, we have improved service to children, parents and employers and reduced the burden on local social services district staff. We project that statewide implementation of the centralization project will further reduce costs.

I wish to thank the Commissioners and staff of the eleven districts who participated in piloting the centralized collection and distribution of child support payments. Without their gracious cooperation and valuable insight the implementation would not have succeeded.

Please share this LCM with your Child Support Enforcement Coordinator, who may contact his/her OCSE County Representative at 1-800-342-3012 with any questions which arise.

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