Local Commissioners Memorandum

Section 1

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To: Social Services District Commissioners
Issuing Division/Office: Child Support Services
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Subject: Implementation of Administrative Directive 21-ADM-08: Questions and Answers
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Attachments: Attachment 1 – Questions and Answers Regarding the Implementation of Administrative Directive 21-ADM-08

Section 2

I. Purpose
The purpose of this Local Commissioners Memorandum (LCM) is to provide social services district (district) child support enforcement units and support collection units (collectively CSEUs) with supplemental information regarding the Administrative Directive, 21-ADM-08, titled Unclaimed Support Funds.

II. Background
On December 20, 2021, the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) issued 21-ADM-08 to advise CSEUs of new guidance resulting from the implementation of Chapter 316 of the Laws of 2021, which clarified and simplified the process by which the support collection unit transfers undisbursed funds to the Office of the State Comptroller, Office of Unclaimed Funds.

The ADM described the administrative process, including applicable dates, by which unclaimed child or combined child and spousal support funds are transferred annually to the state comptroller pursuant to Chapter 316 of the Laws of 2021.

On December 28, 2021, the Division of Child Support Services presented a Webex session to discuss the implementation of 21-ADM-08.

The Questions and Answers Regarding the Implementation of 21-ADM-08 document (Attachment 1) reflects questions asked by CSEUs after the circulation of the draft ADM and the issuance of 21-ADM-08 and during the December 28, 2021, presentation. The responses to these questions provide further guidance that should be of interest to all districts.
III. Program Implications
Please share these Questions and Answers Regarding the Implementation of 21-ADM-08 with your CSEU and its legal counsel.

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