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Commissioner

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Executive Deputy Commissioner

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Subject: Funding Opportunity for Health Care Facilities  
and Agencies Related to Superstorm Sandy

Dear CEO/Administrator:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a Request for Proposals (RFP) released July 5, 2013 by the Office of Children and Family Services. The purpose of the RFP is to provide funding to qualified entities for eligible activities related to Superstorm Sandy.

The State of New York will distribute \$200,034,600 in federal Superstorm Sandy Social Services Block Grant (Sandy SSBG) funding through the RFP to eligible health and human services providers (including home health agencies).

Sandy SSBG resources are dedicated to covering necessary expenses resulting from Superstorm Sandy, including social, health and mental health services for individuals, and for repair, renovation and rebuilding of health care facilities, and agencies including home health and hospice, mental hygiene facilities, child care facilities and other social services facilities. New York will allocate Sandy SSBG funding to address four Focus Areas:

- A. Repair, renovation and rebuilding;
- B. Uncompensated operational costs, including provision of critical services during/after Superstorm Sandy;
- C. Ongoing support and social services for those impacted by Superstorm Sandy; and
- D. Flexibility to ensure that additional eligible social service needs resulting from Superstorm Sandy can be addressed.

The RFP can be found at: <http://nysandyhelp.ny.gov/content/sandy-social-services-block-grant-ssbg-funding>. An informational meeting will be held in New York City on July 16, 2013 from 10 am to 12 pm in Room 217 of the Adam Clayton Powell State Office Building located at 163 West 125th Street. Proposals are due no later than 3:00 pm on August 30, 2013.

All inquiries and contacts related to the procurement, including further information on the informational meetings and submission of proposals, must be directed to:

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Sincerely,



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