



## Cross Divisional

### Volunteers Needed for Dads Take Your Child To School (DTYCTS) Day

Calling all volunteers! Be an ambassador for change! The Responsible Fatherhood Coalition (RFC) is looking for volunteers to work with schools on "Dads Take Your Child to School Day" (DTYCTS) on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, as well as participate in school and family-related activities.

Volunteers will need to:

- Sign-up and be a DTYCTS Day Ambassador (register with Nancy Santiago, Education Advocate, ACS Office of Education Support and Policy Planning at [Nancy.Santiago@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:Nancy.Santiago@acs.nyc.gov), by close of business on Monday, July 21, 2014);
- Have New York State Central Register for Child Abuse and Maltreatment clearance to work with children. More information will be provided at the training.
- Attend training on Monday, July 28, 2014 in order to become familiar with your role and responsibility as a volunteer on September 16th;
- Present supervisory authorization to volunteer from 8:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, DTYCTS Day, and for related activities;
- Participate in a debrief session on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

[Please click on this link for more details.](#)

### New Approved Policies

ACS has released the following policies which are also available through the ACS Policy Library on the [ACS website](#):

#### Monitoring of Provider Agency Corrective Action Plans

At the conclusion of an investigation of a child abuse and neglect report involving a foster home or a child who is in foster care, the ACS Office of Special Investigation (OSI) within the Division of Child Protection (DCP) may make corrective action recommendations to a foster care provider agency to enhance the safety and well-being of the child(ren) involved. ACS expects that all corrective action plans (CAP) will be responded to and completed by the provider agency within 20 days from the date of the receipt of the CAP. This policy is intended to inform ACS and provider agency staff of the expectations related to responding to a corrective action plan and the monitoring procedure.

Click [here](#) to view the policy.

#### Consent to Withhold or Withdraw Life-Sustaining Treatment

This policy articulates the responsibilities of ACS and provider agency staff whenever a request for consent to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining treatment has been made.

Click [here](#) to view the policy.

### BigAppleRx Prescription Discount Card Program

The City is encouraging all New Yorkers to learn more and sign up for The BigAppleRx Prescription Discount Card. The card can help save up to 75% on generic drugs and 18% on brand name drugs. It is available to everyone and anyone living in, working in or visiting the City with or without insurance. The card is accepted at over 2,000 pharmacies throughout the five boroughs and at over 60,000 pharmacies nationwide. To learn more about the card and sign up, visit the BigAppleRx site by clicking [here](#).

### Draft FY15 Preventive Services and Foster Care Scorecard Methodology and Definitions

Our Division of Policy, Planning, and Measurement (PPM) is pleased to release the draft FY15 Foster Care and Preventive Methodology and PAMS Review Definitions. The comment period for the Scorecard methodology and definitions will end on July 26, 2014. Please click on the following links for more information.

For Preventive Services Providers:

- [Cover Memo to Preventive Services Providers](#)
- [FY15 Draft Definitions for Preventive Services Providers](#)
- [FY15 Draft Preventive Scorecard Methodology](#)

For Foster Care Providers:

- [Cover Memo to Foster Care Providers](#)
- [FY15 Draft Definitions for Foster Care Providers](#)
- [FY15 Draft Foster Care Scorecard Methodology](#)

## Save the Date

ACS Office of Education Support & Policy Planning hosts its annual

### [Back to School Summit](#)

Friday, August 15, 2014  
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
ACS Children's Center  
492 First Avenue  
New York, NY 10017

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## Foster Care

### B2H Program Availability

At this time the B2H program has reached capacity solely for the Serious Emotionally Disturbed (SED) referrals. The waitlist is full and no more applications for SED will be accepted by ACS at this time. However, there are vacancies in the Developmentally Disabled Waiver (DD) and Medically Fragile (MedF) category of B2H with no waitlist in those categories at all.

Our experience has taught us that closure of the SED waiver wait list is temporary; as soon as there are vacancies, we will let you know. If you have any questions, please email the main B2H mailbox at [b2hacs@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:b2hacs@acs.nyc.gov).

## Preventive Services

### Marketing Workshop for Preventive Services

ACS invites preventive providers to attend a workshop tailored to assist your efforts in generating additional referrals and clients. The workshop will provide a brief overview of some key marketing principles and practices, while also including specific practice case studies from fellow preventive agencies highlighting their successful campaigns and methods. This session will also provide a forum for your questions and concerns regarding marketing and a give you a chance to discuss some issues you may be facing, while also receiving their guidance on how to get the most out of your marketing efforts. At the conclusion of the session, we will provide a media "tool kit" complete with templates for various marketing written promotional materials for your agency to use.

When: Tuesday, July 29, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. & Wednesday, July 30, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Where: Administration for Children's Services, 150 William Street, 19th Floor, Manhattan Room

For your convenience, we will run the workshop on two different dates. Please RSVP to [ACSrsvp@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:ACSrsvp@acs.nyc.gov) by July 11th to indicate which session you will attend.

## Juvenile Justice

There are no Juvenile Justice announcements in this edition.

## Early Care and Education

### **EarlyLearn NYC** and Pre-K Expansion FAQ

The Division of Early Care and Education has developed a [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document for *EarlyLearn NYC* providers regarding Mayor de Blasio's pre-k expansion. This memo was also sent to all agencies on Friday, June 13th. Please be sure to distribute to all staff within your agency. If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at [EarlyCare&Education@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:EarlyCare&Education@acs.nyc.gov).

### **EarlyLearn NYC** Family Child Care Children Transitioning to Center Based Programs

Children born in 2010 (four-years-old by Dec. 31, 2014) attending *EarlyLearn NYC* Family Child Care will be transitioning to *EarlyLearn NYC* center-based programs by early September. As part of this transition, please read and follow the directives provided by ACS staff carefully. These include:

- Your program may be contacted by Family Child Care Networks seeking placements for their four-year-old children;
- In order to ensure continuity care in ACS services for these families, we ask that you give first priority to these children when filling any vacancies;
- As children may not be transitioning until early September, please provide written confirmation via the "Transfer Confirmation Form" to the network that you have enrolled the child(ren) in WES.

The families making this transition are encouraged to seek out a center-based placement. If one of these families is initiating contact with you (instead of learning of them through the Network), please provide written notification to the FCC Network using the "[Transfer Confirmation Form](#)."

Your support in this transition will not only help you achieve full enrollment, but will also assist you in meeting your UPK enrollment goal. We encourage you to reach out and proactively provide FCC networks with information about your available vacancies—please click [here](#) for a directory. FCC networks may have providers that are located throughout the five boroughs—even though a Network may not have their office located in your zip code, they may have children receiving services near you.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Larry Thomas: [larry.thomas@dfa.state.ny.us](mailto:larry.thomas@dfa.state.ny.us)

Joel Kraf: [joel.kraf@acs.nyc.gov](mailto:joel.kraf@acs.nyc.gov)

Please click on the following links for more information:

- [2014 Guidance for Placement of Four-Year-Olds Transitioning to Center-Based Care](#)
- [Early Learn FCC Network Contact List](#)
- [Early Learn FCC Networks and Zip Codes](#)
- [Family Child Care Network Transfer Confirmation Form](#)

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