Social Distancing

While ACS has sought and is awaiting approval of waivers from OCFS pertaining to certain child welfare practices, we are asking all of our providers to reinforce and fully implement the widely publicized protocols regarding social distancing. Foster care and prevention providers should be implementing social distancing protocols when holding meetings or parent/child/sibling visits at their offices. This should include using large rooms with open windows where individuals can properly social distance from one another; staggering meeting and visit times so that visiting rooms are not crowded; conducting visits outside wherever possible and other such approaches.