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Wednesday, February 4, 2015

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[Message from ACS Medical Director: Important Information Regarding Measles Virus](#)

This message addresses the recent measles outbreak and ways to prevent the spread of the virus.

A-133 and Financial Statements Due

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The ACS Division of Financial Services reminds all Child Welfare and Early Learn contractors in receipt of \$500,000 or more in Federal funding that the A-133 and Financial Statements are due by March 31, 2015.

Please submit two (2) hard copies and (1) PDF as follows:

Child Welfare Contractors:

Mail two (2) hard copies to:
Administration for Children's Services
Division Financial Services
150 William Street, 10th Floor
Attn: Jenny Nakas, Deputy Director, CWCA

And e-Mail

One (1) PDF to Jenny.Nakas@acs.ny.gov

EarlyLearn Contractors

Mail two (2) hard copies to:
Administration for Children's Services
Division Financial Services
150 William Street, 10th Floor
Attn: Denise Borak, Deputy Director EarlyLearn Audit

And e-Mail

One (1) PDF to Denise.Borak@acs.ny.gov

Kindergarten Admissions Information 2015

For students that are born in 2010, the process for admission to Kindergarten begins now for the 2015-2016 school year. The admissions process has changed and now parents can apply to Kindergarten online through the DOE [Kindergarten Connect](#) (www.nyc.gov/schools/kindergarten), over the phone by calling 718-935-2400, or in-person at a [Family Welcome Center](#) (formerly known as the DOE borough enrollment office). The kindergarten application period runs from **January 7 – February 13, 2015**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to the Office of Education Support and Policy Planning at education.unit@acs.nyc.gov

The Office of Education Support and Policy Planning has compiled the information below to help providers understand the admission process and assist parents with ensuring all students who are turning five are enrolled in school.

[Kindergarten Admissions Information 2015](#)

[Ways to Apply \(DOE Flyer\)](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions \(DOE\)](#)

Crossover Youth Practice Model Training

Crossover Youth Practice Model-CYPM training continues to be offered for February. The CYPM training will provide a clear understanding in improving the well-being and outcomes of youth that are in both the child welfare and juvenile justice systems.

Providers should continue to register Case Planners, Supervisors, Directors and agency Trainers in STARS for these half-day trainings. Your agency coordinator should begin to sign up staff once training is posted. This training is essential when working with today's youth, and staff should be attending.

If you have questions, please reach out to:

Foster Care: Patricia Bassy (212) 513-0343

Preventive: Babette Spain, (212) 341-0985 or Kellian Gould, (212) 227-3497

Juvenile Justice: Sara Hemmeter, (212) 442-6326

Children's Services Education Forum

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

[Kindergarten Admissions 2015 Information Session](#)

The Office of Education Support and Policy Planning
Presents
Information Session on Kindergarten Admissions

**Monday, February 9th
3:00-4:00 p.m.**

**110 William Street Room 1406
New York, NY 10038**

Video Conferencing will also be available at the following DCP locations:

**BROOKLYN: 404 Pine Street, 1274 Bedford Avenue, 185 Marcy Avenue
QUEENS: 165-15 Archer Avenue**

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The next **Children's Services Education Forum** will be held on **Wednesday, February 18, 2015 from 9:30 a.m-11:00 a.m.** at 150 William Street, 13th floor training center, New York, NY 10038.

Cliff Datys, Director of the ACS Developmental Disabilities Unit, will be the guest speaker. He will speak about the difficult challenges that parents raising children with developmental disabilities such as autism, intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, among others. Many families facing these challenges become known to ACS when they are in crisis. Cliff will provide information on the array of services that parents of children with disabilities can tap into what role we can play to help parents navigate the OPWDD system to receive services.

Video Conferencing of the forum is available at the following locations:

BRONX: 2501 Grand Concourse, 1200 Waters Place
BROOKLYN: 404 Pine St., 1274 Bedford Ave., 185 Marcy Place
MANHATTAN: 55 W.125th St., 110 William St.
QUEENS: 165-15 Archer Ave.
STATEN ISLAND: 350 St. Mark's Place

For information please contact the **ACS Office of Education Support and Policy Planning:** education.unit@acs.nyc.gov

Safe Passage Workshops on Immigration

The Safe Passage Project addresses the unmet legal needs of indigent immigrant youth living in New York City by providing these youths with basic advice and assistance. Safe Passage provides training, resources, and mentoring to volunteer attorneys providing those services. Below are two events that may be helpful to staff working with those youth.

Unaccompanied Immigrant Children and the "Priority Docket": New York's Experience

This free program will discuss legal, policy, personal and practical issues relating to unaccompanied children in immigration proceedings, and in particular New York's experience with the priority docket.

When: February 10, 2015, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Where: New York Law School, Auditorium (A014), 185 West Broadway, New York, NY, 10013

[Click on this link for more information and to register](#)

Workshop on Enhancing Cultural Competency in Advocacy for Unaccompanied Children

Workshop participants will learn about: unaccompanied children's communities of origin: realities and challenges; child migrants' trips north; how children might be affected by post-traumatic symptoms; and much more. This program is especially designed for professionals working with unaccompanied children (such as attorneys, advocates, social workers, teachers and health care professionals).

When: February 24, 2015, 6pm to 8pm

Where: New York Law School, Room W401 at

Sign up to attend [here](#).

Foster Care

Scholarship Opportunity for Youth

If you know a graduating senior who is interested in pursuing engineering as a college degree, the NY Society of Women Engineering Chapter is offering a \$1000 scholarship to 2 female recipients. The aim of the scholarships is to reward collegiate females for excelling in the field of engineering and encourage them to continue pursuing their goals, despite any hardships they may encounter. **Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2015.**

[Download the scholarship form](#)

Preventive Services

There are no Preventive Services announcements in this edition.

Juvenile Justice

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