



**Office of Children
and Family Services**

ANDREW M. CUOMO
Governor

SHEILA J. POOLE
Commissioner

September 14, 2020

Greetings,

Pursuant to section 101-a of the Executive Law and Article Two of the State Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given of the filing of a Notice of Adoption which amends Parts 421, 442, 443, and 448 of Title 18 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York. These rules are necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of children in foster care and those who are adopted by preventing scenarios that may unnecessary delay adoptions; disrupt or prevent or disrupt foster existing care placement that may be in a child's best interest; and create staffing challenges for programs providing critical services to children in foster care.

The Notice of Adoption was published in the State Register on September 9, 2020.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Notice of Adoption as well as a copy of the complete text of the rule.

Sincerely,

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