



**Office of Children  
and Family Services**

**KATHY HOCHUL**  
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Commissioner

June 13, 2022

Michael Mascarenas, Commissioner  
Essex County Department of Social Services  
7551 Court Street  
P.O. Box 217  
Elizabethtown, NY 12932-0217

Dear Commissioner Mascarenas:

This letter is to inform you that the child care section found in your Child and Family Services Plan, 2022 Annual Plan Update, was approved and became effective on June 6, 2022.

This approval is being issued separately from the approval of other sections of your plan in order to accommodate your county's need to implement the child care services provisions. A letter approving the remaining sections of your plan will be sent upon their approval.

If you have any questions about this approval or the child care section found in your district's Child and Family Services Plan, 2022 Annual Plan Update, please contact Sonoma Pelton at 518-408-6074, or by email at [Sonoma.Pelton@ocfs.ny.gov](mailto:Sonoma.Pelton@ocfs.ny.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janice M. Molnar".

Janice M. Molnar, Ph.D.  
Deputy Commissioner  
Division of Child Care Services

Enc: Approved 2022 Annual Plan Update