



**State of Connecticut**  
Court Support Services Division  
Department of Children and Families



August 7, 2007

Dear Colleague,

The recent legislative session resulted in new practices and processing of children referred to the court as being in a Family With Service Needs (FWSN). Public Act 07-4 amended the CT Statutes Section 46b-149 to include significant enhancements for status offenders in Connecticut, effective October 1, 2007. Included in this new legislation are a number of system changes that will affect the work we do every day with families and children referred to us.

To ensure both systems understand the changes and to discuss the impact on our work, please join us for an informational project "kick-off" on Thursday August 23, 2007 from 1 – 4:30 at the Crowne Plaza in Cromwell, Connecticut. Light refreshments will be offered followed by a review of the new FWSN legislation, system changes, and plans for successful implementation.

Please RSVP to Maureen Delude at CSSD ([Maureen.delude@jud.ct.gov](mailto:Maureen.delude@jud.ct.gov)) by August 15, 2007. We look forward to your participation.

Very truly yours,

Susan Hamilton  
Commissioner, DCF

William H. Carbone  
Executive Director, CSSD

*NOTE: The Crowne Plaza is located at 100 Berlin Road, Cromwell. TAKE I-91 N OR S TO EXIT 21. TURN LEFT OFF THE EXIT. HOTEL IS ON THE LEFT.*