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Dear District Partners,

We are sending this letter to inform you that the Onondaga County Day Treatment Program for Children at Kasson Road will be closing. This closure will occur no later than the end of December 2016. This is very sad news to share. There were many factors that contributed to this decision and these were all reviewed with a full understanding of the significant impact that this decision would have on the children and families that Day Treatment serves.

We are presently working with OCM BOCES and the Syracuse City School District to begin the process of planning for each child's individual educational program needs, as this is a critical piece of their Day Treatment program. This planning will focus on the options available for each child that best meets their needs and will likely result in a transition prior to end of December. These decisions will occur with both parent and district involvement and be determined at CSE.

We will also be working with each family to assist in coordinating continued mental health services with community providers to assure that these needs are also met prior to a child's discharge from Day Treatment. Parents are also being informed of the closure today. The Adolescent Day Treatment Program will remain open at this time.

We want to assure you that we will be doing everything possible to coordinate a successful transition for each child. Thank you in advance for your support. Please feel free to contact Carol Yaeger-Rosario, the Day Treatment Program Director, with any questions or concerns at 435-7706.

Sincerely,

Ann Rooney, Deputy County Executive for Human Services
Acting Commissioner, Onondaga County Department of Children and Family Services