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Name of HRA official

Title of HRA official

BAC # \_\_, Name of Center

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**RE: Immigration eligibility for client's name and his/her/their children**

**Case Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Mr./Ms.: \_\_\_\_\_

Our office, Sanctuary for Families, a provider of legal and social services for victims of domestic violence, represents client's name on certain legal matters.

This letter describes the eligibility of client's name for public benefits based on his/her/their immigration status.

As the following discussion and enclosed administrative policy directives indicate, the applicant is eligible for Safety Net Assistance and Medicaid.

**Eligibility for Safety Net Assistance and Medicaid**

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance General Information System (GIS) Message 23 TA/DC039 which details non-citizens recognized as Permanently Residing Under Color of Law (PRUCOL) for Safety Net Assistance (SNA) Eligibility in New York State. Specifically, page \_\_ of the attachment 23 TA/DC039 states that \_\_\_\_\_ are eligible for Safety Net Assistance and Medicaid.

The applicant has immigration/judicial documentation that establishes he/she/they applied for \_\_\_\_\_ status. **According to 23 TA/DC039, the applicant is therefore eligible for Safety Net Assistance and Medicaid.**

**Lack of Social Security Number (SSN)**

Currently, client's name cannot show any proof of social security numbers for his/her/their family as they are waiting for his/her/their relevant immigration status to be approved. They have their relevant immigration status in pending status as submitted in the "non-citizen" category in the documents upload section on Access HRA. At the moment client name cannot send the SSN, but is still considered PRUCOL and is eligible for Safety Net Assistance and Medicaid.

23 TA/DC039 reminds Districts to follow the guidance included in 07-INF-01: “Social Security Numbers for Aliens without United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Work Authorization,” when determining eligibility for non-citizens who have not met the benefit eligibility requirement to apply for/have a Social Security Number (SSN).

Please process name of client's application for public benefits immediately and issue him/her/them Safety Assistance and Medicaid.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at: phone number, or email.

Sincerely,

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