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Dear CCYA County Administrators,

In partnership with OCYF, the Office of Advocacy and Reform works to support vulnerable youth in Pennsylvania through a focus on prevention, whenever possible. We are requesting an invitation for the Child Advocate to join all Act 33 meetings held in your county.

The role of the Child Advocate for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, positioned in Governor Wolf's Office of Advocacy and Reform, is to be a partner at the table with your county while also advocating for the rights, safety, and well-being of children. Using principles of Trauma-Informed Practice and Public Health Strategy, our office can support Act 33 meetings by helping teams identify and eliminate core causes of problems to protect vulnerable populations, most especially Pennsylvania's children and youth.

We ask that you support this request so that the Office of Advocacy and Reform, by Governor Wolf's Executive Order, can ensure Pennsylvania state agencies provide children with quality services. I can be reached by cell, 717-579-4780 or email, mmcevoy@pa.gov.

Thank You,

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