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Commissioner Courtney Burke

NYS OPWDD

44 Holland Ave

Albany, NY 12229

Dear Ms. Burke:

Please be advised that Lower West Side Household Services, LWS Homecare, intends to submit an application under the New York State OPWDD, Developmental Disabilities Individual Support and Care Coordination Organization, DISCO. Lower West Side Household Services is a licensed not-for-profit NYS Department of Health and OPWDD approved homecare provider under Article 36. Our organization has a history of providing quality care that impacts an individual's life as well as their collaterals. This is especially demonstrated in our agency's Crisis Intervention Program, where we service families and their children who are at high risk of placement due to behavioral, mental health and other well-being issues. The agency has been established since 1969 rendering professional and paraprofessional services to the residents of all five boroughs of New York City, Westchester, Rockland, Orange and Dutchess Counties. We intend to service these communities as well if approved.

We have developed a network to provide comprehensive care with an array of experienced providers who render care management, primary and specialty care as well as crisis intervention and behavioral services with cost containment in mind. Lower West Side Household Services has the foundation and experience not only through traditional services, but as well through the newly formulated Health Home Network partnership.

Sincerely

Lucia Pons

Executive Director

