

## The following is a **Broadcast Email** to all OVS Funded Victim Assistance Programs:

Dear Colleague:

As OVS has been updating you over the past year, in response to the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) pandemic and the Governor's related Domestic Violence Task Force recommendations, on June 18, 2020 Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order 202.43 (EO), which temporarily suspended and modified the laws under which OVS operates. This and other EOs were deemed necessary and periodically extended during the State of Emergency we have all been operating under since March of 2020.

With the tremendous strides the State has made in its response to the pandemic over the past year, it has recently been determined that the State of Emergency would not be renewed. Therefore, as of Thursday, June 24th, the State of Emergency and all related EOs are no longer in effect.

Though OVS can no longer operate under the modified provisions of EO 202.43, be assured that we continue to be available to your programs and the victims you serve.

On behalf of the New York State Office of Victim Services, thank you for your commitment to providing the highest quality services to innocent victims of crime in New York State.

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