## New York State DDPC Database Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

## Inclusion Criteria:

- 1. The service should be specifically designed to meet the needs of people with developmental disabilities, their families or caretakers.
- 2. The agency providing the services should be a non-profit, registered as federally exempt 501 (c) (3), or a government agency.
- 3. The agency must at least provide services to persons located in New York State. Agencies which are located outside of this area but provide services not available from local agencies may be included.
- 4. Agencies providing services shall be approved by the regional database manager before they are included in the database.
- 5. The agency shall have a demonstrated ability to provide the services they purport to provide, as indicated by feedback from consumers or professionals.

## **Exclusion Criteria:**

- 1. Any for-profit agency or private practitioner will not be included.
- 2. Any agency that does not provide the services or is not open the hours claimed will be reviewed and possibly deleted from the database.
- 3. Any agency that provides a service that is characterized as illegal in nature will not be included.

## Additional Information:

- 1. There are no fees for inclusion in this database.
- 2. Inclusion in this database does not imply endorsement by either 2-1-1 New York, the regional partners or the New York State DDPC, nor does exclusion in the database imply disapproval.
- 3. All information will be validated at least annually. Agencies that consistently fail to validate their information may be removed from the database.
- 4. This inclusion/exclusion policy is reviewed periodically, at a minimum of every three years.
- 5. To the extent that this policy conflicts with the 2-1-1 New York partner's inclusion/exclusion policy, the regional database manager will determine whether a record will be included or excluded. Significant differences will be reviewed by the 2-1-1 New York directors.