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Dr. Zeinab Chahine dedicated the past 32 years to improving the lives of families and children. Since 2007, she has been serving as a Managing Director for Strategic Consulting at Casey Family Programs, a national foundation dedicated to improving child welfare outcomes. She heads Casey's New York City Office and is responsible for Casey's strategic consulting engagements in 15 states and multiple jurisdictions. In addition, since 2011, she has been leading Casey's national efforts to improve safety and prevent child maltreatment-related fatalities. A compilation of some of this work can be found in a special issue of the CWLA journal *Child Welfare*: Chahine, Z., Pecora, P.J., Sanders, D. & Wilson, D. (Eds.) (2013): Preventing severe maltreatment related

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Prior to joining Casey Family Programs, Dr. Chahine served as NYC'S Administration for Children's Services Executive Deputy Commissioner for Child Welfare Programs. In that role, was responsible for the operation of all child protective, preventive, foster care and adoption services in New York City. During her 22 year career in NYC child welfare system, she also held casework, supervisory and managerial positions in child protective services. She had a significant role in the design, development and implementation of major innovative child welfare reform initiatives.

She received local and National recognition for her work. In May 2, 2007, she was featured in the New York Daily News as an Immigrant New Yorker who has made a positive difference for the City. She was awarded The National Association of Public Child Welfare Administrators Peter W. Forsythe Award for Leadership in Public Child Welfare in 2009. Dr. Chahine holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hunter College, a Master of Social Work degree from Columbia University, and a Doctoral degree from the Graduate School and University Center - City University of New York.