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## DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## SUBJECT: 2011 Adult Protective Services Survey Results

## Attention: Adult Services Supervisors

The Division of Aging and Adult Services conducted the 2011 Annual Survey of North Carolina's Adult Protective Services Program (APS) to collect crucial information about the needs of vulnerable older adults and adults with disabilities who came to the attention of your agency. The results of this survey are now available online at <a href="http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/adultsvcs/2011\_APS\_survey\_data.pdf">http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/adultsvcs/2011\_APS\_survey\_data.pdf</a>.

Data from the annual survey provides essential information to help strengthen North Carolina's current APS program, including continued efforts to pilot the proposed Vulnerable Adult Protection System (VAPS) and to prepare North Carolina to receive Elder Justice Act funding when it becomes available.

The survey tool used to collect the 2011 APS data can be reviewed at

http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/adultsvcs/codirltr/2011/AFS-05-2011\_APS\_Survey\_June.xls, and instructions on how it was to be completed can be found at <u>http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/adultsvcs/codirltr/2011/AFS-05-2011\_APS\_Survey\_Instruct.pdf</u>.

If you have comments or questions about the results of the 2011 Annual APS Survey, please contact Kate Walton at (919) 855-3462.

Sincerely,

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