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## DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

#### ATTENTION: ADULT SERVICES SUPERVISORS AND PROGRAM MANAGERS

### SUBJECT: LIEAP PROGRAM

As you prepare for enrollment for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) on December 1, 2016, we would like to remind you of the process for verifying individuals who receive NC Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) programs.

The available DAAS client information is for individuals receiving Home and Community Block Grant (HCCBG) services. HCCBG services are reported and reimbursed through the Aging Resource Management System (ARMS). Information on other DAAS clients can be obtained through the Services Information System (SIS) and your own agency records.

County Departments of Social Services (DSS) will need to access ARMS to search for LIEAP applicants. A list of DSS agencies with ARMS access is provided below on page 3 of this letter. DAAS can quickly add other DSS agencies to ARMS as County Report Users.

How to Obtain Access to ARMS Reports via the WIRM Portal:

 Provide the full name(s), phone number(s) and email(s) of data entry user(s) to: Annette Bagwell, Division of Aging and Adult Services at <u>Annette.Bagwell@dhhs.nc.gov</u>. This is the person you will need to contact to gain access.

How to Access ARMS Client Master List of HCCBG Clients for LIEAP Households:

- Go into the WIRM portal at: https://wirm.dhhs.state.nc.us/
- Provide user name and password
- Select the following: ARMS Reports → Client/Waiting Lists → ZGA-101 Client Master List – Provider Clients Served (see screenshot on page 2) (Report will display all clients served by service, county and agency)



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- Report can be printed or downloaded by selecting the active buttons in the top, left corner under "reports."
- For assistance downloading reports, contact Leigh Hayden at <u>leigh.hayden@dhhs.nc.gov</u> or 919-855-3439.

ARMS Report Client/ Waiting Lists Screenshot



ARMS data is "real time" so all DSS agencies will have the capability within ARMS of obtaining current and accurate information on HCCBG clients for LIEAP purposes.

We ask that you maintain confidentiality when using this list. Please share this information only with the appropriate staff in your agency. Please let Annette Bagwell know if you have questions. Her contact information is on page one of this letter.

Sincerely,

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## Current DSS agencies with access to ARMS

ALEXANDER COUNTY DSS ANSON COUNTY DSS BEAUFORT COUNTY DSS BERTIE COUNTY DSS BLADEN COUNTY DSS BURKE COUNTY DSS CABARRUS COUNTY DSS CARTERET COUNTY DSS CATAWBA COUNTY DSS CHEROKEE COUNTY DSS CLAY COUNTY DSS CLEVELAND COUNTY DSS CRAVEN COUNTY DSS CURRITUCK CO DSS DARE COUNTY DSS DURHAM COUNTY DSS EDGECOMBE COUNTY DSS FORSYTH COUNTY DSS **GRAHAM COUNTY DSS** GREENE COUNTY DSS **GUILFORD COUNTY DSS** HALIFAX COUNTY DSS HARNETT COUNTY DSS HENDERSON COUNTY DSS HERTFORD COUNTY DSS HYDE COUNTY DSS

JOHNSTON COUNTY DSS **IREDELL COUNTY DSS** LENOIR COUNTY DSS LINCOLN COUNTY DSS MARTIN COUNTY DSS MCDOWELL COUNTY DSS MECKLENBURG COUNTY DSS NASH COUNTY DSS NORTHAMPTON COUNTY DSS ORANGE COUNTY DSS PAMLICO COUNTY DSS PENDER COUNTY DSS PERQUIMANS COUNTY DSS PERSON COUNTY DSS PITT COUNTY DSS POLK COUNTY DSS **ROCKINGHAM COUNTY DSS ROWAN CO DSS RUTHERFORD COUNTY DSS** SCOTLAND COUNTY DSS STOKES COUNTY DSS UNION COUNTY DSS VANCE COUNTY DSS WARREN COUNTY DSS WILSON COUNTY DSS



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# Legislation on Low-Income Energy Assistance Program and Crisis Intervention Program

http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/enactedlegislation/statutes/pdf/bychapter/chapter\_108a.pdf

§ 108A-25.4. Use of payments under the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program and Crisis Intervention Program. (a) The Low-Income Energy Assistance Program Plan developed by the Department of Health and Human Services (Department) and submitted to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services shall focus the annual energy assistance payments on the elderly population age 60 and above with income up to one hundred thirty percent (130%) of the federal poverty level and disabled persons receiving services through the Division of Aging and Adult Services. The energy assistance payment shall be paid directly to the service provider by the county department of social services. The Plan for Crisis Intervention Program (CIP) shall provide assistance for vulnerable populations who meet income eligibility criteria established by the Department. The CIP payment shall be paid directly to the service provider by the county department of social services and shall not exceed six hundred dollars (\$600.00) per household in a fiscal year. NC General Statutes - Chapter 108A 12 (b) The Department shall submit the Plan for each program to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services no later than September 1 of each year and implement the Plan no later than October 1 of each year. (2011-145, s. 10.56(a).)