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HUMAN SERVICES**

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September 4, 2025

**DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**ATTENTION: DIRECTORS, CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MANAGERS,  
SUPERVISORS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND LICENSED CHILD PLACING AGENCIES**

**SUBJECT: NATIONAL TRAINING DEVELOPMENT CURRICULUM**

**REQUIRED ACTION:**  Information Only  Time Sensitive  Action Required

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services (NCDHHS DSS), remains deeply committed to equipping prospective resource families, including foster, therapeutic, and kinship caregivers with high-quality, evidence-informed pre-service training. This is a follow-up to DCDL [CWS-27-2025](#)

National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC) is a nationally recognized curriculum designed to prepare caregivers for the realities of fostering and kinship care. It offers a comprehensive, trauma-informed approach that reflects the latest research and best practices in child welfare. **NTDC is the only approved curriculum in North Carolina that provides a reduced 15-hour training track specifically tailored for kinship families, recognizing their unique strengths and needs.**

To support implementation, NCDHHS DSS continues its partnership with Foster Family Alliance to offer Train the Trainer (TTT) sessions specifically for North Carolina agencies. These virtual training courses are designed to prepare agency staff to deliver NTDC effectively and confidently.

We strongly encourage both DSS and private agencies to take advantage of this opportunity to strengthen their pre-service training and better support resource families.

Upcoming Virtual TTT Sessions run for three (3) consecutive days from 8:30 to 12:30:

September 9, 10, 11

October 21, 22, 23

September 23, 24, 25

November 4, 5, 6

October 7, 8, 9

November 18, 19, 20

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To register, please email [ntdcregistration@ffa-nc.org](mailto:ntdcregistration@ffa-nc.org) and include your agency name and preferred training dates. You will receive an email to confirm your registration or notification that you were placed on a waitlist.

In addition, for private agencies using NTDC for pre-service training, please notify your designated private agency licensing consultant to ensure proper documentation and support.

For questions, please contact Jenny Millsaps, Foster Home Licensing Manager, at [jenny.millsaps@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:jenny.millsaps@dhhs.nc.gov).

Sincerely,



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