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## DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## ATTENTION: DIRECTORS, CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MANAGERS, SUPERVISORS, AND SOCIAL WORKERS

## SUBJECT: NATIONAL YOUTH IN TRANSITION DATABASE

**REQUIRED ACTION:** Immediate Information Only I Time Sensitive

## PURPOSE: NOTIFICATION THAT NYTD 2022B SURVEYIS UNDERWAY

Public Law 106-169 established the John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program at section 477 of the Social Security Act which was amended by the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-123). The National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) is a component of the John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood.

North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) NYTD 2022A survey results were successfully submitted to the National Youth in Transition Database. The benchmark goal was achieved as a direct result of your diligent efforts and commitment in locating survey-eligible young adults.

While NCDSS is excited about our NYTD 2022A reporting cycle achievement, **NYTD 2022B** survey period is now underway. NCDSS must aim to achieve our benchmark goal for this new reporting period. Information regarding NYTD is available at <u>https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/fact-sheet/about-nytd</u>.

NCDSS must report on our independent living services and supports provided to all youth based on our eight LINKS outcomes. The counties listed below have survey-eligible young adults for our required NYTD 2022B data collection reporting period from **April 1, 2022**, through **September 30, 2022**. Please take the steps outlined in this letter to ensure timely collection and reporting of the data needed to measure these outcomes and assess our programming strengths and needs.

- Alexander
- Buncombe
- Carteret
- Craven
- Davie
- Guilford
- Hoke
- Lenoir

- Alleghany
- Burke
- Catawba
- Cumberland
- Forsyth
- Haywood
- Iredell
- Lincoln

- Avery
- Cabarrus
- Chatham
- Davidson
- Gaston
- Henderson
- Johnston
- Mecklenburg

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- Nash
- Orange
- Randolph
- Wake

- New Hanover
- Pitt
- Richmond
- Wilkes

- Onslow
- Polk
- Rowan

The steps to ensure timely completion and submission of surveys for eligible youth are as follows:

- 1. You may request a list of your NYTD survey-eligible young adults for your county at <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.
- 2. Provide eligible participants with information about how to complete the survey, including the survey link and survey ID(CNDS).
- 3. Engage the survey-eligible young people and invite them to complete the survey. Eligible young adults may complete the survey in the following ways:
  - Online via this link: https://surveymax.dhhs.state.nc.us/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=mIML7m84
  - Email completed surveys via this link: <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u>
  - Via their worker who completes the survey utilizing the above options
- 4. Please email <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u> to confirm your survey submission of survey-eligible young adults and provide regular updates about efforts to reach out and encourage these young adults to take the survey.

If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Williams, Special Programs Manager at <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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