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May 15, 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**

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services (NCDHHS DSS) recognizes the importance of providing current and comprehensive pre-service training to prospective resource families-including foster, therapeutic, and kinship caregivers. Based on research and contributions from experts, resource families, and youth with lived experience, the National Training Development Curriculum (NTDC) was launched in North Carolina on **January 2**, **2025**, for prospective resource families.

Participants in NTDC will benefit from trauma-informed content that covers parenting strategies, the impact of trauma and substance use, and effective ways to collaborate with children's families, agencies, and other professionals.

NCDHHS DSS has partnered with Foster Family Alliance to offer Train the Trainer Training sessions specifically for North Carolina. These virtual *classes* run for 3 days, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM on the following dates:

TRAINING DATES:

- May 27, 28, 29
- June 16, 17, 18
- July 8, 9, 10
- August 19, 20, 21

If you would like to register for the Train the Trainer (TTT) course, please email Christy Roessler at christy.roessler@ffa-nc.org. Be sure to include your agency name and the dates you wish to attend. Christy Roessler will confirm your registration or notify you if you are placed on the waitlist.

For private agencies only:

Private agencies using NTDC for pre-service training must notify their designated private agency licensing consultant.

If you have any questions, please contact Foster Home Licensing Manager, Jenny Millsaps, at jenny.millsaps@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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