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May 23, 2024

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

SUBJECT: CPS ASSESSMENTS ON LICENSED PLACEMENTS WEBINAR

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only Time Sensitive Immediate

North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) is committed to ensuring counties are provided with the guidance and support needed to ensure they are in compliance with law, rule, and child welfare policy. NCDSS will be hosting a 90-minute webinar on the practice of CPS Assessments on licensed foster homes to ensure counties are completing the assessments according to law and policy. In addition, the webinar will review Regulatory and Licensing's role in CPS assessments on licensed foster homes and the impact of these assessments on the safety of children and youth in care.

In partnership with The UNC School of Social Work, Family and Children's Resource Program, NCDSS will host the webinar, "*CPS Assessments on Licensed Placements*" on **June 18, 2024**, from **10:00am-11:30am**. This webinar is targeted to child welfare social workers, supervisors, program managers/administrators, and directors who are responsible for conducting CPS assessments on licensed placements and making case decisions for those assessments.

Please register for the webinar via <u>https://NCSWlearn.org</u> by **June 7, 2024**. Additional information about the webinar and instructions on how to register can be found on the announcement attached, Assessing Placements Webinar. If you have questions, please contact Mary Torr, Regulatory and Licensing Policy Consultant, at <u>mary.torr@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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ATTACHMENT: Announcement—Assessing Placements Webinar

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