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## DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

## SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION (CHRI) FOR POTENTIAL ADOPTIVE PARENTS

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

The North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) is working collaboratively with the Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE) to provide updates to accessing the Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) for potential adoptive parents.

This letter is a follow-up to the initial DCDL (CWS\_23\_2023\_) sent on April 26, 2023, where each county was required to submit the names of each staff member designated to access CHRI to ensure the mandated training was available. A master spreadsheet has been developed, forwarded, and is maintained by the Adoption Manager.

Designated staff have begun receiving a notification from Criminal Justice Information Service (CJIS) Online indicating that an account has been created and training is available for completion online. Staff are required to follow the directions outlined in the email to receive the appropriate training and certification. The following is a sample email that will be received by those designated staff members:

"KEVIN HORNADAY has created a CJIS Online account for you. This account has been created for you because your organization relies on CJIS Online for Security and Privacy training and other CJIS compliance needs. Below are the certification(s) that have been assigned to your account:

1. Security and Privacy: General Role Using the credentials below, you can click the login button or visit <u>https://www.cjisonline.com</u> to begin your certifications. User name: janedoe@samplecountygov.com Temporary password: XXXXX1234"

If a user receives notification or believes they have likely received notification that an account has been created for them at CJIS Online, they can do the following:

- 1. Navigate to <u>https://www.cjisonline.com/</u>
- 2. Input their username (email address submitted by agency)
- 3. Use the "Forgot your password?" feature.

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As a reminder, when all designated employees in each county have completed the training, the county should send all certificates together to <u>DHHS.CBC.Adoption@dhhs.nc.gov</u>. The certificates *must* be received by the CBC Unit, before the CHRI information can be released to designated staff.

If you have any questions, please contact Adoption Manager Mary Mackins at Mary.Mackins@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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