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September 12, 2022

## DEAR EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF LICENSED CHILD PLACING AGENCIES

## ATTENTION: DIRECTORS, PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MANAGERS, AND SUPERVISORS

## SUBJECT: DCDL\_CWS\_51\_2022\_ NOTIFICATION OF THE QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION

**REQUIRED ACTION:** \_\_\_ Information Only \_\_\_ Time Sensitive \_\_\_ Immediate Acton

On October 1, 2021, the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) placed limitations in federal IV-E reimbursement for children and youth receiving foster care services in congregate care to the first 14-days of placement. There are congregate care settings that are exempt from the 14-day limitation. One of the exemptions is a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP).

A QRTP is a place for children and youth in foster care to live and receive the necessary treatment in a trauma-informed environment. The North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) is exploring the implementation of Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTPs) to expand placement options for children and youth with complex behavioral health needs. Please join us on **September 20, 2022,** from **9:30am to 10:30am** for the **Qualified Residential Treatment Program: Information Session**. During this session, we will provide an overview of FFPSA, QRTPs, and additional placement options that are approved under FFPSA.

Please register by clicking the following link <u>https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/9058265398401320705</u>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the session. Should you have questions, please contact Kimaree Sanders at <u>Kimaree.Sanders@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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