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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

**SUBJECT: IV-B2 FAMILY REUNIFICATION ONE-TIME SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT
NOTIFICATION**

REQUIRED ACTION: ☒ Information Only ☐ Time Sensitive ☐ Action Required

**PURPOSE: TO NOTIFY COUNTY DSS AGENCIES OF THE ONE-TIME SUPPLEMENTAL TITLE
IV-B2 (Family Reunification) PAYMENT FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2025–2026.**

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services (NCDHHS DSS), is issuing notification regarding Title IV-B claims for the Family Reunification Program.

At the close of each State Fiscal Year, any unspent Title IV-B, Subpart 2 (IV-B2) Family Reunification funds are reallocated to counties that have exceeded their IV-B2 allocations. This annual reallocation helps offset county expenditures by replacing county-funded costs with available federal IV-B2 funds. Because IV-B2 is a federal funding source with no county match requirement, this process reduces the amount of county funds needed to support eligible services.

This year, counties reported more than \$6.8 million in IV-B2 expenditures above their original allocations. Following the annual reallocation process, an additional \$2 million in available IV-B2 funding was distributed to help cover these county overages.

The supplemental funding will be applied in July, with the corresponding Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments expected to be issued in August. This is a one-time supplemental payment for State Fiscal Year 2025–2026.

Each year, the Child Welfare Finance Team will evaluate unspent IV-B2 Family Reunification funds at the end of the fiscal year to determine whether additional funding is available for reallocation to counties with eligible overages.

A total of 39 counties benefited from this supplemental allocation.

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