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September 18, 2025

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

SUBJECT: THE NATIONAL YOUTH IN TRANSITION (NYTD 2026A) DATABASE SUBMISSIONS

REQUIRED ACTION: ☑ Immediate ☐ Time Sensitive ☐ Information Only

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North Carolina Division of Health and Human Services Department of Social Services (NCDHHS DSS) would like to thank you for the tremendous support you provided during the NYTD 2025B survey period. We are now preparing for the National Youth in Transition **NYTD 2026A** baseline reporting period that begins on October 1, 2025, and ends March 30, 2026.

Each county agency LINKS social worker will receive a list of NYTD eligible youth via email. **All eligible youth must complete the survey within 45 days of their 17th birthday**. Counties are encouraged to motivate youth to complete the survey as soon as their 45-day survey period begins. Youth who participate in the baseline cohort will automatically be included in the NYTD follow-up cohorts at ages 19 and 21. Eligible youth who complete their 2026A NYTD survey within the 45-day period are eligible for a \$100.00 incentive.

Technical Assistance (TA) will be available on **Tuesday**, **September 23**, **2025**, **10:00 AM – 11:00 AM** to explain and assist with any questions. Please register by using this link: https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/3153858294425445120

The counties listed below have survey-eligible young adults for the NYTD 2026A data collection reporting period from *October 1*, 2025 – *March 30*, 2026.

Nash

Robeson

Rutherford

Stanly

Yadkin

Yancey

Alexander Cherokee Harnett **New Hanover Stokes** Columbus Havwood Onslow Surry Alleghany Anson Craven Iredell Pamlico Swain Ashe Cumberland · Jackson Union Pasquotank Beaufort Currituck Johnston Pender Vance Bladen Davidson Lee Person Wake Brunswick Durham Pitt Washington Lenoir Buncombe · Edgecombe Lincoln Polk Wayne Burke Forsyth Madison Randolph Wilkes

McDowell

Mecklenburg

Halifax

Carteret Granville Mitchell Scotland

The electronic survey is **now available**. Please take the following steps to ensure timely completion and submission of surveys for eligible youth:

- 1. You may request a list of your NYTD 2026A survey-eligible youth for your county at dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov.
- 2. Provide eligible participants with information about how to complete the survey, including the survey link and survey ID(CNDS).
- 3. Engage eligible youth and encourage them to complete the survey. Both youth and the social workers assisting youth who need additional assistance may access the survey using one of the following options:
 - a. Online via this link: https://gcc.dcv.ms/CVQgz1uT3N
 - b. Using this QR Code:



Please email <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u> to confirm survey submissions of survey-eligible youth or to provide regular updates regarding efforts to contact survey eligible youth and invite them to take the survey. If you have additional questions, please email them to <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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