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November 16, 2022

## DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

## SUBJECT: COUNTY SURVEY SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NATIONAL YOUTH IN TRANSITION (NYTD 2023A) DATABASE

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

Thank you for your dedication and diligence in locating survey-eligible young adults. Due to your efforts, North Carolina remains in compliance with NYTD survey submissions and will enhance incentives for eligible youth participation beginning this cohort.

North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) is preparing for the National Youth in Transition (**NYTD 2023A**) reporting period from **October 1**, **2022–March 31**, **2023**. The NYTD 2023A cohort is for the baseline period that consists of youth who are 17 years of age. Eligible youth must complete the survey within 45 days of their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday but should be encouraged to complete it as soon as possible. Any youth that participates in the data collection at age 17 will remain part of the follow-up population at ages 19 and 21.

NCDSS will be having a Technical Assistance (TA) call to explain and assist with any questions about the upcoming cohort. The TA call, *NYTD 2023A Cohort*, will be held on Wednesday, November 23, 2022, from 10:00 AM–11:00 AM EST. Please register by using this link: https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/5159717125580292354.

The NYTD 2023A incentive for the youth who participate has been increased to **\$100.00** Please share this information with your youth in efforts to encourage them to complete the survey.

NCDSS must report on our independent living services and supports provided to all youth based on our eight LINKS outcomes. The counties listed below have survey-eligible young adults for our required NYTD 2023A data collection reporting period from **October 1**, 2022–March 31, 2023. Please take the steps outlined in this letter to ensure timely collection and reporting of the data needed to measure these outcomes and assess our programming strength and needs.

- Alexander
- Buncombe
- Carteret
- Craven
- Davie

- Alleghany
- Burke
- Catawba
- Cumberland
- Forsyth

- Avery
- Cabarrus
- Chatham
- Davidson
- Gaston

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- Guilford
- Hoke
- Lenoir
- Nash
- Orange
- Randolph
- Wake

- Haywood
- Iredell
- Lincoln
- New Hanover
- Pitt
- Richmond
- Wilkes

- Henderson
- Johnston
- Mecklenburg
- Onslow
- Polk
- Rowan

Due to technology issues beyond our control the electronic survey is unavailable. The steps to ensure timely completion and submission of surveys for eligible youth are as follows:

- 1. You may request a list of your NYTD 2023A survey-eligible young adults for your county at <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u> or Lyrika Evans at <u>lyrika.evans@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.
- 2. Engage the survey-eligible young people and invite them to complete the survey. Please have eligible youth complete the attached survey and email the completed surveys via this link: <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.
- 3. Via their social worker who completes the survey with the youth and the social worker emails the completed surveys via this link <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov.</u>
- 4. Please email <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u> to provide regular updates about efforts to reach out and invite eligible youth to take the survey or if you have not received an email confirming the status of a recent survey submission.

If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Williams, Special Programs Manager at <u>dss.nytd.info@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Attachment: NYTD 2023A Survey

Sincerely,

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