NC DHHS DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

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 CHANGE NOTICE
 CWS-CN-03-23

MANUAL: PERMANENCY PLANNING MANUAL

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

RE: REVISION TO POLICY

EFFECTIVE: NOVEMBER 3, 2023

INTENT: NOTIFICATION OF UNLICENSED KINSHIP PROGRAM POLICY MANUAL UPDATES

The <u>Permanency Planning Manual</u> has been updated to implement the unlicensed kinship payment program:

- Placement Options: Legal Basis (pages 39-41)
- Placement Options: Reimbursement for Unlicensed Kinship Policy (pages 46-50)

The <u>Appendix 2, Child Placement and Payment System Manual</u> has been updated to reflect changes throughout the manual. Some minor changes have been made for clarification purposes. Specific changes to reflect the changes related to policy outlined in this DCDL can be found in the following sections:

- Living Arrangements: Fields 45 through 49 (pages 29-35)
- Facility ID: Field 49 (pages 37-40)
- Payment Information: Fields 50 through 51 (pages 40-41)

This manual can be located at <u>https://policies.ncdhhs.gov/divisional/social-services/child-welfare/policy-manuals</u>.

Should you have questions regarding the policy change, please contact Jessica Frisina at <u>Jessica.Frisina@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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