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December 20, 2022

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

SUBJECT: REGIONAL IV-E ELIGIBILITY, ADOPTION ASSISTANCE, AND GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY TRAINING

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only I Time Sensitive I Immediate

North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) is committed to providing counties with information that supports staff at local Departments of Social Services with ongoing technical assistance to ensure compliance with the law, rule, and policy. NCDSS is excited to provide an in-person, two-day training on IV-E eligibility, adoption assistance (AA), and guardianship assistance (GAP) eligibility. It is recommended that staff responsible for eligibility determination and file review attend the training.

The training will cover the following topics:

- Day 1: Comprehensive eligibility training for foster care, adoption assistance, and guardianship assistance program.
- Day 2: Preparation for IV-E Reviews, what to expect, and the tools used.

Please attend the training scheduled in your region. The time for each training session is 10 AM- 3 PM.

Training Dates:

- Region 1: 05/24/23 and 05/25/23 in Henderson County Henderson County Public Library 301 North Washington St Hendersonville NC 28739
- Region 2: 04/19/23 and 04/20/23 in Rutherford County Spindale United Methodist Church 185 Mill St, Spindale, NC 28160
- Region 3: 01/25/23 and 01/26/23 in Alamance County Alamance DSS 319 N Graham Hopedale Rd, Burlington, NC 27217
- Region 4: 05/03/23 and 05/04/23 in Richmond County Richmond Community College Cole Auditorium 1042 W Hamlet Ave, Hamlet, NC 28345

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> 04/11/23 and 04/12/23 in Pitt County Pitt Co AG Center 403 Government Cir, Greenville, NC 27834

- Region 6: 03/14/23 and 03/15/23 in Brunswick County 25 Referendum Dr NE Bolivia, NC 28422
- Region 7: 03/29/23 and 03/30/23 in Bertie County Bertie Co DSS 110 Jasper Bazemore Ave, Windsor, NC 27983

Please register for Regional IV-E Eligibility, Adoption Assistance, and Guardianship Assistance Eligibility Training at: <u>https://forms.office.com/g/f1yHBFaEwD</u> by **01/09/23**. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email. Should you have questions, please contact Beth Riley at <u>beth.riley@dhhs.nc.gov</u> or Janet Drake at <u>janet.drake@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Regional Map

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