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Dear County Director of Social Services

Attention: Adult Services Social Workers and Supervisors

Subject: Effective Social Work Practice in Adult Services: A Core Curriculum

I am pleased to inform you that Effective Social Work Practice In Adult Services: A Core Curriculum will be conducted on May 1-3 and 15-17, 2001 at the Wake County Human Services in Raleigh. The Adult Services Branch of the North Carolina Division of Social Services and the Center for Aging Research and Educational Services (CARES), part of the Jordan Institute for Families at UNC-Chapel Hill School of Social Work, sponsor this event.

The purpose of this six day training is to assist adult services social workers and supervisors to incorporate and integrate into practice the concepts in A Model for Excellence in Adult Services Administration and Social Work Practice. The training will focus heavily on the core skills for adult services social work practice described in A Model for Excellence, including screening/intake, functional assessments, checklist for change, setting goals, planning and implementing services, monitoring and reassessment of services, termination of services and basic counseling skills. The training will emphasize increasing awareness of and sensitivity to cultural differences affecting social workers' relationships with adults and their families.

The curriculum is designed for both new adult services social workers and supervisors. More experienced social workers and supervisors desiring a stronger understanding of how to apply the core concepts in A Model for Excellence may also want to attend.

Registration information for the workshop is attached as well as the curriculum outline. Registration is limited to 40 participants. The fee for this six-day training is \$50.00. The registration deadline is April 17, 2001. If you need additional information, you are welcome to contact Suzanne Merrill in the Adult Services Branch (919) 733-3818, your Adult Programs Representative, or Jane Armstrong at CARES (919) 962-6419.

Sincerely,

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John T. Tanner, Chief Adult and Family Services Section

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