

## North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Social Services

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Michael F. Easley, Governor Carmen Hooker Buell, Secretary Pheon E. Beal, Director (919) 733-3055

Dear County Director of Social Services:

## Attention: Adult Services Social Workers And Supervisors

Subject: Workshop On Working With DSS Clients Who Have Serious Mental Illness

We are pleased to inform you that Working With DSS Clients Who Have Serious Mental Illness will be conducted on **November 1-2**, **2001 at the Haywood Community College in Waynesville** and also on **March 18-19**, **2002 at the Wake County Human Services in Raleigh**. This curriculum was developed as part of the Division's contract with the Center for Aging Research and Educational Services (CARES) at the Jordan Institute for Families, School of Social Work UNC-Chapel Hill.

This **two-day training** is designed for adult services social workers and supervisors working with DSS clients who have serious mental illness. The workshop will provide workers and supervisors with practice skills, information, and resources in working with clients who have serious mental illness. Particular attention will be focused on effective psychosocial interventions, working with difficult client behaviors, and strengthening linkages with other agencies and resources within the community.

Registration information for the training is attached and is also available through the **CARES website**: <u>http://ssw.unc.edu/cares/trnall.htm</u>. The **fee** for this **two-day training is \$35.00**. The **registration deadline is (ten) working days before the first day of the event**. Registration is limited to 35 participants, so your staff are encouraged to register as soon as possible. The training has been approved for excess registration by the Division. If you need additional information, you are welcome to contact Geoffrey Santoliquido in the Adult Services Branch (919) 733-3818, your Adult Programs Representative, Libby Phillips at CARES (919) 962-0650, or Robin Gault-Winton at CARES (919) 843-7579.

Sincerely,

John T. Tanner, Chief Adult and Family Services Section

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