

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES ATTENTION: Child Support Managers and Supervisors

SUBJECT: INFORMATION: Child Care Referral/Child Support Demonstration Project

Senate Bill 257 Session Law 2017-57, Section 11B.7 (a), (b), (c), requires Child Support Services and the Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE) to implement a one-year demonstration project to be conducted in at least three counties. The Session Law specifically requires a custodial parent or other relative or person with primary custody of the child who is receiving child care subsidy payments to cooperate with Child Support Services in those pilot counties. Effective February 19, 2018, Durham, Craven, and Davie counties have begun participation in this demonstration project.

Statistical data must be gathered and provided at the end of the project. To facilitate the gathering of this data, the Automated Collection Tracking System (ACTS) has been updated with the following new events and new CHILD CARE field.

- Subsidized Child Care Case Information (SCCI) Create this event to document communication between Subsidized Child Care (SCC) and CSS via the DCDEE-0802 (e.g., noncooperation, child support order established, child support order suspended, or other communication between child support and DCDEE).
- Subsidized Child Care Open (SCCO) ACTS will generate this event when a SCC recipient case is opened and the worker selects or enters **Open** as the status in the CHILD CARE field on screen C8C, 03.06.

- Subsidized Child Care Closed (SCCC) ACTS will generate this event when a SCC recipient case is closed and the worker selects or enters **Closed** as the status in the CHILD CARE field on screen C8C, 03.06
- Screen C8C, (03.06, F2), and C6A, (02.02, F9), have been updated with a new field titled "CHILD CARE". This field was previously titled "OBLIG". The demonstration counties should be the ONLY counties entering **Open or Closed** in this field.

These events and child care referral field should only be used when Child Support Services receives a referral from the local Subsidized Child Care program in Durham, Craven, and Davie counties.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Policy and Training Unit at (919) 855-4755 or your Regional Program Representative.

Sincerely,

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Attachments Cc: IV-D Regional Program Representative

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