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May 7, 2018

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

NC DEPARTMENT OF

HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Social Services

SUBJECT: INFORMATION: Federal Fiscal Year 2016 Incentive Settlement Award Delay

The federal Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) has informed NC Child Support Services that due to unforeseen circumstances, the Federal Fiscal Year 2016 (FFY2016) Data Reliability Review/Audit process has been delayed.

Due to the delay, the final Incentive Payment Reconciliation Awards are also delayed and will be issued after the FFY2016 audits and reviews for all states are completed.

We recognize that delaying the full settlement payment the counties typically receive in June of each year may cause a financial hardship. To help alleviate this potential burden and still steward the funds conservatively to avoid any overpayments, a decision has been made to disburse **\$2,578,064.83** as a partial settlement amount to the counties, and process a second settlement once the final award letter and funds are received.

This payment will be disbursed in June 2018, and you will be notified once the payment has been distributed. We will discuss this in further detail during the May 30<sup>th</sup> 100 County Directors' Webinar. If you have any questions prior to that time please contact Carla West at 919.855.4405 or Debbie Henderson at 919.855.4455.

Sincerely,

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Carla L. West Section Chief

cc: Wayne Black, Director IV-D Regional Program Representatives CSS-18-25