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April 13, 2021

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DEAR EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF LICENSED CHILD PLACING AGENCIES

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

SUBJECT: Adoption Assistance Cash Payments

REQUIRED ACTION: X Information Only

The North Carolina Division of Social Services wishes to inform you that Adoption Assistance and Special Children Adoption Incentive Fund (SCAIF) subsidies have been unexpectedly delayed for the month of April.

The NC Controller's office confirmed that Adoption Assistance checks were mailed out on or around April 5, 2021 and SCAIF checks will be mailed on or about April 14, 2021. In the event a family does not receive their benefits, it is recommended that the replacement check procedure is implemented to help restore benefits as appropriate.

Should you have questions, please contact-Beth Riley at (910) 986-8078 or beth.riley@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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