

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

SUBJECT: MSW-LEVEL CERTIFICATE IN CHILD WELFARE AND AN INTER-UNIVERSITY HYBRID MSW PROGRAM: <u>TIME SENSITIVE</u>

The NC Division of Social Services has partnered with the Family and Children's Resource Program (FCRP), Jordan Institute for Families at the UNC School of Social Work to provide a new advanced professional education opportunity for child welfare social workers employed by NC County DSS agencies. With this partnership, we are conducting an online survey of interest, barriers, and supports for a MSW-level certificate program in child welfare and an inter-university MSW hybrid (online with some face-to-face meetings) program in child welfare.

The survey is designed for frontline social workers, supervisors, program administrators and managers in the area of child welfare. Please use the link below to take this short survey. Here are key points about the survey

- We want to hear from those who are interested in either the MSW-Level certificate program, the interuniversity MSW hybrid, or both programs.
- It will take most people between 5 and 15 minutes to complete the survey depending upon the applicable parts.
- Your answers will help us design programs that best meet your needs and to assess how much interest there is for this kind of educational opportunity.

Please click the link below to begin the survey (or copy and paste the link into the address bar of your Internet browser): <u>https://unc.az1.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8do6cimZU4CcOs5</u>

For more information about the survey and/or the two programs please contact Tamara Norris, UNC Jordan Institute for Families, at <u>thorris@email.unc.edu</u>. **Responses to survey are requested no later than April 25**th. Thank you for your time. We know it is valuable.

Sincerely,

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