



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

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Michael F. Easley, Governor
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Sherry S. Bradsher, Director
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February 7, 2007

Dear County Director of Social Services

**Subject: Adoption Promotion and Post Adoption Support Services
Grant Announcements**

For several years we have contracted with four licensed private agencies to provide adoption and post adoption services for the Division. This has been a good partnership, but several other adoption agencies have indicated a desire to participate in these statewide adoption contracts. In order to provide other agencies the opportunity to participate, we have sent out Request for Application (RFA) for Adoption Promotion and Post Adoption Support grants for state fiscal year 2007-2008. The RFA document describes the program service requirements, eligible applicants and the application requirements. Agencies must submit separate applications if they are interested in applying for both programs.

Applications are due in the Office of Foster Care/Adoption Policy/Interstate Team on or before Wednesday, February 28, 2007, by 5:00 p.m. for Special Needs Adoption Promotion Services and Friday, March 2, 2007, by 5:00pm for Post Adoption Support Services. You may be receiving numerous requests for letters of support prior to the deadline dates. Please contact Marina Chatoo at (919) 733-2279 if you have any questions concerning the application or the process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Esther T. High".

Esther T. High, Acting Chief
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