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Michael F. Easley, Governor Carmen Hooker Odom, Secretary Sherry S. Bradsher, Director (919) 733-3055

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Dear County Director of Social Services

Subject: Replace the Loss of IVE Administrative Funds

The Deficit Reduction Act of 2006 prohibited the claiming of IVE Administrative Funds for children who were otherwise IVE eligible and placed in the home of unlicensed relatives. As a result, county departments of social services experienced a loss in the support of federal funds to support these placements. The 2006 General Assembly recognized this loss and appropriated \$2M to assist with this loss. The Division in collaboration with NCACDSS, CWS Funding Committee, devised a formula that would recognize those children who were placed in the home of unlicensed relatives and would provide the percentage of the budget allocation to those counties who had children in those placements. The formula used an average quarterly count of the children placed in the homes of unlicensed relatives for SFY 05-06 and pro-rated the allocation to each of the counties. These funds will be placed in your county TANF CPS/FC Adoption allocation.

Attached please find the spreadsheet that list the allocation to each county.

If you have questions, please contact your Local Business Liaison for further consultation.

Sincerely,

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