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Subject: Vendor Inquiries Regarding NC FAST Procurement Efforts

Dear County Directors of Social Services:

It has come to our attention that many of you have received inquiries from the vendor community regarding procurements efforts underway for NC Families Accessing Services through Technology (NC FAST). Currently, the NC FAST Project is reviewing proposals for the Case Management Software Selection contract. There are vendors who did not bid on the Case Management Software Selection Request for Proposal (RFP) that may, however, have plans to bid on the pending Case Management Integration Selection RFP. Therefore, we must be very sensitive in our communications regarding NC FAST procurement efforts at this time to ensure every vendor is given an equal and fair opportunity.

To this end, we are requesting that you direct any inquiries you receive from vendors regarding NC FAST to Karen Tomczak, DHHS Chief Information Officer (Karen.tomczak@ncmail.net or 919-855-3160).

We appreciate your assistance in ensuring that our negotiation efforts are not jeopardized at this critical juncture of the project.

Sincerely,

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