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Re: North Carolina's CareLINK Website

Dear County Director of Social Services:

The purpose of this letter is to let you know about a recently published website called North Carolina's CareLINK. This website provides up-to-date information about programs and services across North Carolina for families, seniors, youth and everyone in-between. It was developed as a collaborative effort of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and many other government and non-profit information and referral stakeholders across North Carolina.

The site is user friendly and includes topical links under a section called "Neighborhoods" for broad subjects such as Services for Veterans, Family and Children Resources, Services for Older Adults, and a People with Disabilities Connection. Another section entitled "Take Me To. . ." includes a topic called Find My Vet Center that links to the US Department of Veterans Affairs. The link called Provider Portal allows providers to include and update their information on the webiste to ensure the site is an excellent resource for North Carolina's citizens. The Partners Page link contains the full list of collaborators who bring this website to the public. Clearly labeled tabs allow quick searches by keyword and search by topic. The My NCCareLink tab allows users to save search results for later reference and use as well as a list of Help Topics to aid users in navigating through North Carolina's CareLINK.

The web address for this excellent source of information is: <u>www.nccarelink.gov</u>. I encourage you to visit the site, share it your staff and other community resources, and use it to enhance your knowledge about the services and opportunities available to our citizens.

Sincerely,

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