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January 7, 2019

### **Dear County Directors of Social Services**

NC DEPARTMENT OF

HUMAN SERVICES

**HEALTH AND** 

Division of Social Services

- Attention: Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) Administrators, Managers and Supervisors Program Integrity Supervisors and Investigators
- Subject: Food and Nutrition Services Management Evaluation Finding

### Priority: Action Required

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services received the United States Department Agriculture (USDA) results letter of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Management Evaluation of the FNS Program. One of the findings of the review resulted in potential over issuance of FNS benefits to certain households beginning February 2018. This included cases that were ineligible the month of application but eligible the following month (split decisions), applicants with Alcohol and Drug Treatment Center living arrangements, and households in which a newborn was added with a date of birth in the application month but after the application date. A report has been created and added to FAST Help, the report is titled Reports-FNS-20180716-FNS Cases Overpaid, which includes a list of these cases.

Each case must be reviewed per instructions attached and determine if an over issuance occurred. If an over issuance has occurred, calculate the amount of the over issuance, enter a claim in EPICS, or NC FAST for those counties that have transitioned, and pursue collection of the claim under regular collection procedures. These claims should be coded as state agency errors.

The deadline for completion of these cases is <u>March 29, 2019</u>. Upon completion of your county's cases download the report and fill in the information in the columns to the right reflecting the Program Integrity Referral number and over issuance amount, and send it to <u>Sherita.Hardy@dhhs.nc.gov</u> by April 3, 2018.

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Sincerely,

David Locklear, Deputy Director

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Attachments (3) ADTC Scenario – Instructions Newborn Split Decision Scenario – Instructions Split Decision Scenario – Instructions

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## ADTC Recoupment Instructions:

**Step 1**: Locate your associated county and cases within the 20180716 – Cases Overpaid.xlsx report from Fast Help

COUNTY	CASEREFERENCE	CASE_OWNER	PRIMARY_CLIENT	BENEFIT_MONTH
Alamance	216354816	bandrews2	MICKEY MOUSE	2018-04
Alamance	213643531	cpardee	DONALD DUCK	2018-03

**Step 2**: Review the case determination history by navigating to the FNS Product Delivery Case page then to the Determinations tab. Locate the coverage period associated with the benefit month from the report. See the screenshot below.

Home	Determinations	Certifications	Groups	Financials	Appeals	Case Details	Events	Administration	FSIS Benefit History		
Current D	Determination	Determi	nation F	Results							🗙 Reassess 🕈 🖶 ?
Determin	nation History	6/1/2018	- 7/31/2018	3		Not Eligible	e				
		5/1/2018	- 5/31/2018	3		Not Eligible	e				
		3/1/2018	- 4/30/201	8		Eligible				\$192.00 Monthly	
		<mark>2/14/201</mark>	8 - 2/28/20	18		Eligible				\$192.00 Monthly	

**Step 3**: Navigate to the Food Assistance Decision page by choosing the correct coverage period that is in blue, Review the Summary tab to identify the Initial Benefit Amount on Application. See the screenshots below.

Home	Determinations	Certifications	Groups	Financials	Appeals	Case Details	Events	Administration	FSIS Benefit History			
Current	Determination	Determ	ination H	History							Ç	7
Determin	nation History		Coverage	Period				Decision				
			3/1/2018 -	7/31/2018				Eligible				
			2/14/2018	- 2/28/2018				Eligible				
Summary	Household	Non Financial	Resources	Income	Sanctions	Work Eligibility	y					
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								Income		Exempt		
								Sanctions		Pass		
								Work Eligib	ility	Pass		
								Categorica	lly Eligible	Pass		
	Benefit											•
	Maximum Fo	ood & Nutrition S	ervices			\$	192.00					
	Net Countab	le Income * 30%				-	\$0.00					108.00
	Monthly Ben	efit Amount					\$192.00	Initial	Benefit Amount on Application		3	100.00

**Step 4**: Navigate to the FNS Product Delivery Case page, Financials tab to review the dual payments processed by the system for the case. Note: You may need to toggle into the payment to review the duplicate payments. See the screenshot below.

Home Determin	nations Certification	ons Groups	Financials	Appeals	Case Details	Events	Administration	FSIS Benefit	History					
Transactions	Tran	sactions							★ Issu	e Payment	★ Simulate F	ayment Č	•	
Deductions		Case		Comp	ponent		Covers Period		Credit	Debit	Status	Warrant		^
Nominees Over And Under Pa	y	Food & Nut	rition Services	Bene	fit Amount		2/16/2018 to 2/28/2	2018	\$108.00	\$0.00	Processed	105056026 1		
Payment Simulation	ns	Food & Nut	rition Services	Benet	fit Amount		2/14/2018 to 2/15/2	018	\$108.00	\$0.00	Processed	105056026 1		

**Step 5**: Follow the DSS policy used to process claims for the overpayment amount identified on the Financials tab. All claims are to be processed no later than Feb 28, 2019.

### Newborn Split Decision Recoupment Instructions:

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Home	Determinations	Certifications	Groups	Financials	Appeals	Case Details	Events	Administration	FSIS Benefit History		
Current	Determination	Determi	nation F	Results		-					★ Reassess
Determi	ination History	2/1/2018	- 3/31/2018	3		Eligible				\$142.00 Monthly	
		12/1/2017	7 - 1/31/201	В		Eligible				\$352.00 Monthly	
		11/28/20	17 - 11/30/2	017		Eligible				\$352.00 Monthly	
		11/27/20	17 - 11/27/20	017		Eligible				\$284.00 Monthly	
		11/27/20	17 - 11/27/20	017		Eligible				\$284.00 Monthly	

**Step 3**: Navigate to the Food Assistance Decision page by choosing the correct coverage period that is in blue, Review the Summary tab to identify the Initial Benefit Amount on Application. See the screenshots below. (In this scenario there are two due to split decision).

Home	Determinations	Certifications	Groups	Financials	Appeals	Case Details	Events	Administration	FSIS Benefit History			
	Determination	Determi	ination H	listory							Ç	7
			Coverage	Period				Decision				
			12/1/2017	4/30/2018				Eligible				
			11/28/2017	/ - 11/30/2017				Eligible				
			11/27/2017	- 11/27/2017				Eligible				
Summary	Household	Non Financial	Resources	Income	Sanctions	Work Eligibility	/					
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								Income		Exempt		
								Sanctions		Pass		
								Work Eligib		Pass		
								Categorical	ly Eligible	Pass		
	Benefit											•
	Maximum Fo Allotment	ood & Nutrition Se	ervices			\$3	52.00					
	Net Countab	le Income * 30%				-\$	68.00	Initial	Benefit Amount on Application			\$37.00
	Monthly Ben	efit Amount					\$284.00					
Summary	Household	Non Financial	Resources	Income	Sanctions	Work Eligibility						
Su	ummary										(	2 🔁 🤉
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								Income		Exempt Pass		
								Sanctions Work Eligibil	it.,	Pass		
								Categorical		Pass		
	Benefit							outegonoui	Ligitie			•
	Maximum Fo	ood & Nutrition Se	ervices			\$3	52.00					
	Net Countab	le Income * 30%				-5	\$0.00	Initial R	enefit Amount on Application			\$46.00
	Monthly Ben	efit Amount					\$352.00	initial D	enter a renound of Applotation			

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ransactions	Transac	ctions			★ Issue Payment	★ Simulate F	ayment 🔿 🕻	7 🤊
Deductions		Food & Nutrition Services	Benefit Amount	11/28/2017 to 11/30/2017	\$46.00 \$0.00	Processed	105265642 7	
lominees Over And Under Pay		Food & Nutrition Services	Benefit Amount	11/27/2017 to 11/27/2017	\$37.00 \$0.00	Processed	105265642 7	
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Current I	Determination	Determi	nation F	Results		-					Reassess	C 🗗 🤊
Determir	nation History	4/1/2018	- 9/30/2018	В		Eligible				\$331.00 Monthly		
		11/1/2017	7 - 3/31/201	8		Eligible				\$192.00 Monthly		
		10/27/20	17 - 10/31/2	017		Eligible				\$352.00 Monthly		
		10/16/20	17 - 10/26/2	2017		Eligible				\$189.00 Monthly		

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Current	Determination	Determi	nation F	listory					Ċ	• 🔁 💿
Determi	nation History		Coverage	Period				Decision		1
			11/1/2017	- 3/31/2018				Eligible		
			10/27/201	7 - 10/31/2017				Eligible		
			10/16/201	7 - 10/26/2017				Eligible		

Summary	Household	Non Financial	Resources	Income	Sanctions	Work Eligibility			
Su	mmary								टे 🗗 🖸
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							Income	Exempt	
							Sanctions	Pass	
							Work Eligibility	Pass	
							Categorically Eligible	Pass	
	Benefit								•
	Maximum Fo Allotment	ood & Nutrition S	ervices			\$192.00			
	Net Countab	le Income * 30%	,			-\$3.00			\$94.00
	Monthly Ben	efit Amount				\$189.00	Initial Benefit Amount on Application		\$94.00
Summary	Household	Non Financial	Resources	Income	Sanctions	Work Eligibility			
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							Income	Exempt	
							Sanctions	Pass	
							Work Eligibility	Pass	
							Categorically Eligible	Pass	
	Benefit								•
	Maximum Fo Allotment	ood & Nutrition S	ervices			\$352.00			
	Net Countab	ble Income * 30%				-\$0.00	Initial Benefit Amount on Application		\$176.00
	Monthly Ben	efit Amount				\$352.00	milar benefit Amount on Application		<b><i>wiro.du</i></b>

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Transactions	Transac	tions						★ Issue Payment		★ Simulate Payment C		: 🖯 (
Deductions		Case		Component		Covers Period		Credit	Debit	Status	Warrant	
Over And Under Pay		Food & Nutrition S	ervices	Benefit Amount		10/27/2017 to 10/31	/2017	\$176.00	\$0.00	Processed	1050883511	
Payment Simulations		Food & Nutrition S	ervices	Benefit Amount		10/16/2017 to 10/26	6/2017	\$94.00	\$0.00	Processed	1050883511	

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