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 $\ensuremath{\text{SUSAN OSBORNE}}$ \bullet Assistant Secretary for County Operations for Human Services

September 10, 2019

Dear County Directors of Social Services

Attention: County Directors, Work First Administrators, Managers, and Supervisors

- **Subject:** Invitation to complete a survey about Subsidized Employment opportunities for TANF/Work First participants
- Priority: Time Sensitive, Action & Response Required

The Work First Program is committed to continuous program improvement in meeting the federally mandated Work First participation rates. North Carolina is presently meeting the All Family 50% required work rate but not meeting the required Two-Parent 90% work rate. The Division is pleased to offer an opportunity for counties to participate in the Work First Subsidized Employment Survey given by the Department of Health and Human Services in partnership with our colleagues at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. The purpose of the survey is to collect information/data about the availability of subsidized employment opportunities in your county. We will use the data collected from this survey to evaluate the possibility of improving subsidized employment opportunities for Work First participants with emphasis on the Two-Parent Families in North Carolina. An introductory letter regarding this survey is attached to this email.

All directors and/or designated staff who have knowledge about Subsidized Employment in your county are encouraged to complete the survey. Survey responses should be based on over-all knowledge and experiences regarding subsidized employment within your county. The survey is voluntary and anonymous.

The survey can be found online at <u>https://unc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4JCITSopz8JEvHv</u>. Click on the web address to go directly to the survey. The survey can also be shared by forwarding the link and copying into the address bar of an internet browser. Survey responses are automatically submitted through the survey software. All surveys should be submitted by **September 30, 2019**.

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Sincerely,

David Locklear, Deputy Director

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Attachment (1) Introductory letter