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Michael F. Easley, Governor Carmen Hooker Buell, Secretary

E. C. Modlin, ACSW, Director (919) 733-3055

May 1, 2001

Re: DSS-8655, Medical Verification Form

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Attention: Food Stamp Supervisors Work First Supervisors

The DSS-8655, Medical Verification Form, was developed in August 1999 to focus more on what a Work First participant can do versus what a participant cannot do. It was also designed to be more user-friendly to encourage physicians to be more compliant when completing the form. These forms were ordered directly from the Economic Independence Section.

Food Stamp workers can now use this form to assist with determining exemptions from Food Stamp Program work requirements and ABAWD provisions. The DSS-8655 will no longer be stocked in the Economic Independence Section. This form is now available for order from the Data Processing Section by contacting:

Kay Kohler DIS Operations Center N. C. Division of Social Services 800 Ruggles Drive Raleigh N. C. 27603-2026 Courier # 56-20-13

If you have any questions regarding this form, please contact your Work First or Program Integrity Representative.

Sincerely,

Pheon Beal, Chief Economic Independence Section