

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Social Services

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September 17, 2003

Re: Payment Accuracy Meetings

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Attention: Food Stamp Supervisors

An ongoing part of the State's Food Stamp Corrective Action Plan calls for semi-annual Payment Accuracy Meetings. The purpose of these meetings is to review policy, regulations, and procedural techniques that can enhance our payment accuracy rate. The meetings also provide counties an opportunity to share best practices and to review trends that occur across the State.

The tentative agenda is attached that includes topics to be discussed. We hope your staff will be able to participate in this informative meeting. The fall 2003 meetings will be conducted in four locations across the state during October so that as many counties as possible will be able to participate. Each meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and adjourn by 3:00 p.m.

The meetings are scheduled as follows: (Directions are enclosed.)

East Thursday, October 9, 2003

Martin Community College Williamston, N.C.

East Central Tuesday, October 7, 2003

Cumberland County DSS Fayetteville, N.C.

West Central Monday, October 6, 2003

Rowan Cooperative Extension Office Salisbury, N.C.

West Thursday, October 16, 2003

Black Mountain Library Black Mountain, N.C.

While lunch will not be available for purchase at these meetings, restaurants are located within close proximity. Information concerning lunch options will be made available at the meeting.

We look forward to your county's participation in this meeting. If you have questions, please contact Jane Schwartz at (919) 733-7831 or your Food Assistance and Energy Programs Representative.

Sincerely,

Wilbert R. Morris Associate Director

Enclosures **FAEP 03-2003**