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August 17, 2022

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

Attention: Directors of Social Services, Energy Administrators, Managers & Supervisors

Subject: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Weatherization Waiver

Priority: Time Sensitive, Action & Response Required

The LIHEAP Weatherization waiver is completed each fiscal year, for weatherization to expend up to 25 percent of its allocation through the federal waiver request process. The Administration of Children and Families (ACF) requires that states seek public comments for the LIHEAP Weatherization waiver each year. In order, for the Division to comply the following tasks must be completed:

- The announcement and waiver will be displayed the week of August 18- August 24, 2022 in each local department of social services, the Community Action Agencies and partner agencies. The public should be made aware and encouraged to come to review and comment. If your agency is closed to the public, the waiver must be posted to your agency's website.
- Each person who reviews the plan must be encouraged to sign the attendance sheet and make comments. For closed agencies please make attendance and comment sheets available online. Please have viewers email their attendance and/or comment sheets to Jasmyne.Simmons@dhhs.nc.gov by August 26, 2022.

Attached are the supporting documents needed to complete the above tasks. Additional copies of the LIHEAP Weatherization Waiver Announcement, LIHEAP Weatherization Waiver, Public Review of LIHEAP Weatherization Waiver Attendance and Comment Sheet can be made as needed. The press release will be posted by **August 18, 2022 and** additional information can be viewed on the NCDHHS social media pages.

Each County DSS is required to return these completed documents no later than August 26, 2022 via email to Jasmyne Simmons at <u>Jasmyne.Simmons@dhhs.nc.gov</u>. If you have questions, please contact Jasmyne Simmons by email.

Sincerely,

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## Attachments (3)

LIHEAP Weatherization Waiver Announcement LIHEAP Weatherization Waiver Public Review of LIHEAP Weatherization Waiver and Comment Sheet