Date: December 11, 2020

Dear County Directors of Social Services

Attention: Food and Nutrition Services Employment and Training Managers

Subject: New Staff at DSS Food and Nutrition Services Employment and Training Program

Priority: Information Only

The Division of Social Services has undergone several staffing changes within the Food and Nutrition Services Employment and Training (FNS E&T) Program. This letter is to introduce counties to the new staff. We strive to move the program forward by providing transparency in program development by regular communications. A brief description of all team roles is provided below along with contact information.

Dashawn Page is the Employment and Training Coordinator. Dashawn’s responsibility is to oversee all aspects of the Employment and Training program. Dashawn is responsible for supervising all staff and the duties assigned.

Tom Grecco is the FNS E&T Program Consultant. Tom is responsible for providing training and program support for the E&T counties and partners. He is the liaison to the GeoSol E&T module. Due to Covid-19 all training and support are currently being conducted remotely.

Raven Bynum is the FNS Employment and Training Monitor. Raven is responsible for program monitoring to ensure compliance with county plans of action, FNS E&T state plan and USDA policies and regulations. Monitoring will be conducted annually, biannually, or triennially depending on the number of Food and Nutrition Services participants in each county. Management evaluations visits are usually conducted on site, however, due to Covid-19 all monitoring visits are currently being conducted remotely.

Beverly Cates is the Administrative Associate for the FNS E&T Program. Beverly’s responsibilities are addressing contractual and fiscal matters to include monthly submissions of DSS-1571 forms, tracking county spending and managing agency contracts.
The new FNS E&T team looks forward to meeting with county staff to discuss ways to further develop local programs.

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In order to facilitate effective communication, please send all invoices, contract information, GeoSol E&T module and other program questions/concerns to the E&T Team at fnseandt@dhhs.nc.gov.

Counties interested in learning more about the FNS E&T program should contact Dashawn Page for an introductory orientation.

Sincerely,

David Locklear, Deputy Director  
Economic and Family Services Section

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