September 10, 2020

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

ATTENTION: CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MANAGERS, SUPERVISORS, AND WORKERS

SUBJECT: NATIONAL CHILD WELFARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH

REQUIRED ACTION: ☒ Information Only  ☐ Time Sensitive  ☐ Immediate

September is National Child Welfare Workforce Development Month. This is a time to focus on our child welfare programs, professionals, students, university and college social work programs. Let’s recognize and celebrate the work done by all Child Welfare Staff to ensure the safety and well-being of children and families. The week of September 14-18 is Child Welfare Worker Appreciation Week.

Our partners at the National Child Welfare Workforce Institute have several opportunities to increase awareness. We encourage you to register and participate in the Child Welfare Worker Recognition Event on September 15 at 3:00pm. For more information, click on this link: http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eh6sredn4700b295&llr=pfnuq9dab. Agencies can locate the Recognition Event Kit 2020 at this link: https://ncwwi.org/files/WF_Development_Month_But ttons/RecognitionEventKit2020.pdf.

You can also find workforce development resources on the website: https://ncwwi.org/index.php. NCDSS thanks you and your staff for all that you do for children and families, particularly during these times with added challenges. Stay safe and remember the 3 W’s.

Sincerely,

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    Lisa Cauley, Child Welfare Director
    Carla McNeill, Section Chief for Permanency
    Kathy Stone, Section Chief for CPS and Prevention
    Linda Waite, Acting Section Chief for Licensing and Regulatory

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