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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES:

ATTENTION: Adult Protective Services Supervisors

SUBJECT: PROTECTING ADULTS IN FACILITIES TRAINING

The Division of Aging and Adult Services is pleased to announce the availability of a two-day training entitled, *Protecting Adults in Facilities*. The workshop will be offered three times at the following locations: Freedom Regional Library, Charlotte, November 12-13, 2008; New Hanover County DSS, Wilmington, December 3-4, 2008; Chatham County DSS, Pittsboro, NC, February 4-5, 2009; and Watauga County DSS, Boone, April 7-8, 2009.

The workshop provides participants an excellent opportunity to learn about and discuss the function of Adult Protective Services (APS) in facilities. The curriculum furthers an understanding of the difference between protecting disabled adults and regulating facilities, stresses collaboration with other agencies and disciplines, and covers diverse methods of protecting disabled adults in facilities.

Social workers and supervisors with responsibility for evaluating and planning service interventions in APS cases will benefit from attending this workshop. The workshop is being offered as advanced level training (beyond the APS Basic Skills Training) for APS staff. **All participants must have completed both Modules I and II of the *Adult Protective Services Basic Skills Training* before attending this workshop. Please bring an APS Manual, which can be found at <http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/daa/aps/man/>.**

A maximum of thirty participants will be accepted at each of the training sites. **Please complete registration information at least 2 weeks in advance of the chosen event. You must pre-register** even though there is no registration fee. Registration is to be completed online at <http://www.ncswLearn.org>. Participants can expect to receive a confirmation letter, directions to the workshop site, and a list of local lodging accommodations after registering. Each workshop **begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ends by 4:00 p.m. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m.** Refreshments will not be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own snack items. If you need additional information or have questions regarding the content of the workshops, please contact Sarah Lugar at (919) 733-3818 or your Adult Programs Representative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Suzanne P. Merrill".

Suzanne P. Merrill, Chief
Adult Services Section

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