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January 20, 2023

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**ATTENTION: DIRECTORS, CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MANAGERS,
SUPERVISORS, AND SOCIAL WORKERS**

SUBJECT: "TEAMING WITH TEENS" VIRTUAL EVENT

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only Time Sensitive Immediate

The North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS), in partnership with Foster Family Alliance of North Carolina and other community stakeholders and partners, is hosting a "Teaming with Teens" Virtual Event for child welfare professionals, caregivers, and youth and young adults.

There are several speaker sessions for this event. Dr. Jacoba Rock will be sharing her journey as a foster-adoptive parent and best practices. Justin and Alexis Black will be sharing their lived experience and journey to positive mental health. Additionally, the University of North Carolina (UNC) will be providing child welfare professionals with information on self-care and promoting positive mental health.

The Teaming with Teens Virtual Event will be held on **Saturday, February 4, 2023, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. Please register at [Teaming With Teens Registration](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Tori Marshall, State LINKS Coordinator at Tori.Marshall@dhhs.nc.gov.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to supporting the permanency of children in North Carolina's Child Welfare system.

Sincerely,

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Attachment:
Teaming with Teens Flyer

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