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January 04, 2024

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

SUBJECT: IN-PERSON LEARNING EVENT REGARDING HOUSING SUPPORT FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH

REQUIRED ACTION: Immediate Time Sensitive Information Only

The North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS), in partnership with Rapid Resources for Families is hosting a "Housing Solutions for Transition Age Youth" event to address the need for additional support surrounding housing for young adults connected to the child welfare system.

Ruth White, Executive Director of the National Center for Housing and Child Welfare and former director of Housing and Homelessness for the Child Welfare of America (CWLA) will be the guest speaker. Participants will have the opportunity to connect with Ms. White and learn about various housing options available for Transition Age Youth. This free event is a valuable opportunity to gain insight into federal housing programs, participate in networking opportunities and support eligible transitional age youth access safe and stable housing.

The Housing Solutions for Transition Age Youth Event will be held on **Friday, February 9, 2024, from 9:30 AM** to 12:00 PM at the Whitted Building, located at 300 W Tryon St, Hillsborough, NC 27278. Please register at the link provided: <u>Housing Solutions for Transition Age Youth</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Phillips, State Foster Care 18 to 21 Coordinator at <u>Sarah.Phillips@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to supporting the permanency of transitional age youth in North Carolina's Child Welfare System.

Sincerely,

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Carla McNeill, MSW Section Chief for Permanency Planning Division of Social Services, Child Welfare North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

Cc: Lisa Tucker Cauley, Senior Director of Human Services Adrian Daye, Deputy Director for Child Welfare Practice Katie Swanson, Deputy Director for County Operations Kathy Stone, Section Chief for Safety and Prevention Services Kimaree Sanders, Section Chief for Regulatory and Licensing Peter West, Section Chief for County Operations

Attachments: In-Person Event Housing Solutions for Transition Age Youth Flyer

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