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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

SUBJECT: PERMANENCY PLANNING: POLICY TO PRACTICE WORKGROUP RECORDED WEBINARS

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only Time Sensitive Immediate

PURPOSE: NOTIFICATION OF PERMANENCY PLANNING RECORDED WEBINARS

The North Carolina Division of Social Services is pleased to announce that the recorded Permanency Planning: Policy to Practice Office Hours workgroups from January 2022 and February 2022 are now available on the DHHS website. To support the high level of interest in the policy workgroup discussions, one Office Hour workgroup session per month will be recorded and made accessible to those who were unable to initially attend.

The number of webinar participants has been limited to ensure that thoughtful and open discussion regarding policy and practice occurs and any questions are answered accordingly. Your participation, questions, and feedback are vital towards improving permanency planning policy knowledge across North Carolina. If you have registered for a workgroup session and you are unable to attend, please cancel your registration so another county child welfare worker may join the workgroup.

Next Steps:

We will maintain a current version of the recorded webinars online at:

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/county-staff-information/policy-office-hours>.

Thank you for your continued dedication towards improving the lives of North Carolina's children. Should you have questions about the policy updates or the Permanency Planning: Policy to Practice Office Hours workgroup, please contact Margaret Knight at margaret.knight@dhhs.nc.gov.

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