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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND TEAM COORDINATORS FOR LOCAL CCPTS

ATTENTION: DIRECTORS, CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS/ MANAGERS AND CHILD WELFARE SUPERVISORS

SUBJECT: Future Changes to the North Carolina Child Fatality Prevention (CFP) System

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only Time Sensitive Immediate

Dear DSS directors and team coordinators for local CCPTs,

You have likely heard about legislation passing in 2023 that will make changes to North Carolina's statewide Child Fatality Prevention (CFP) System. These changes will impact local Child Fatality Prevention Teams (CFPTs) and Community Child Protection Teams (CCPTs), however most of the changes impacting local teams will not go into effect until January or July 2025. The attached document is intended to provide you with some preliminary information about these changes.

DHHS is working on steps necessary to implement this legislation. While efforts will be made to provide you with any available information, due to the complexity of these changes, some areas of implementation are unknown at this point. DHHS is still in the process of finalizing many aspects of implementation, including standing up a new State Office of Child Fatality Prevention.

We will be doing our best to communicate with you during this implementation process. After reading the attached information, if you still have questions, we have set up this [online form where you can submit your questions about the CFP legislation](#). We will be reviewing those questions and will periodically provide information to keep local teams informed.

Sincerely,

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