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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES and EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF CHILD PLACING AGENCIES

ATTN: Child Welfare Program Administrators, Managers, Supervisors, Social Workers, and Training Staff

SUBJECT: RESOURCE PARENT CURRICULUM (RPC) STAFF FACILITATOR TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only Time Sensitive Immediate Action

PURPOSE: The North Carolina Division of Social Services (NCDSS) is excited to announce the 2023-2024 National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) Resource Parent Facilitator training opportunity. Participants will be trained to deliver the NCTSN training, titled *Caring for Children Who Have Experienced Trauma: A Workshop for Resource Parents*, also known as Resource Parent Curriculum (RPC). Once trained, facilitators will be able to deliver this in-service training to North Carolina's foster, adoptive, kinship, and therapeutic parents. Professionals who provide services to foster, kinship and adoptive families are perfect candidates to serve as RPC workshop facilitators at the local and regional levels.

RPC is a trauma-informed curriculum that educates parents on the skills that support them in caring for children who have experienced trauma. This in-service training has shown to shift the way North Carolina resource parents are working with youth, this in turn has led to improved placement stability.

To learn more about this training opportunity, ask questions about RPC, its implementation, or the application process, NCDSS is offering a one hour, online information call on August 23, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Registration for this virtual call is required and can be accessed via this link: <https://bit.ly/RPC2023info>.

Additional information regarding the timelines from the information call to the completion of the RPC Facilitator training follows:

- Upon making the decision to move forward in completing RPC training, each participant will be required to complete and submit an individual application. The RPC 2023-2024 Staff Facilitator training application can be found at

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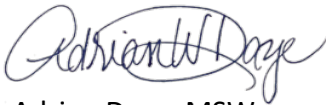
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<https://bit.ly/RPC2023app>. The application deadline is Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 5pm EST.

- There are limited slots, therefore NC DSS encourages all individuals to take the necessary time to complete the application thoroughly. It is estimated that the application will take between 30-45 minutes to complete and is best when completed by an individual with input from a supervisor.
- Notification of acceptance into this year's cohort will occur by September 15, 2023, and the training launch call will occur on September 27, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Approximately 40 hours of synchronous training will occur between October 2023 and June 2024. Facilitators in training will also be required to complete a full 16-hour (in-person or virtual) workshop with resource parents to be rostered and to complete all training requirements.

For additional information regarding RPC, refer to the attached documents, the 2023 RPC Information Sheet, and Everything You Need to Know Before Implementing RPC Handout, or contact Trainer, Dina Gerber with the Center for Child and Family Health, at Dina.Gerber@duke.edu or via telephone at 919-385-0787, or Amy Eaton, NC DSS Children's Health and Development Coordinator at Amy.Eaton@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,



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ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment (1): 2023 RPC Information Sheet

Attachment (2): Everything You Need to Know Before Implementing RPC Handout

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