



NC DEPARTMENT OF
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HUMAN SERVICES**

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October 25, 2022

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

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

SUBJECT: Child Welfare Education Collaborative Regional Meetings

REQUIRED ACTION: _ Immediate X **Time Sensitive** _ Information Only

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this letter is to inform county child welfare agencies of upcoming meetings regarding the Child Welfare Education Collaborative (CWEC). These sessions build on and expand information provided during the annual CWEC university partners meeting held in January 2022.

The mission of CWEC is to strengthen the child welfare workforce in North Carolina. CWEC is managed and fully funded by NCDSS. Key components of the program are administered in collaboration with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Social Work--Family and Children Resource Program and the North Carolina Association of County Directors-Workforce Initiative Program.

It is highly recommended that all CWEC partners attend, including University/College Liaisons, Field Placement Directors, DSS Directors or designee and any DSS staff who are responsible for field placements of CWEC students at their agency. Each meeting will cover CWEC Protocol, Memorandums of Agreement, Child Welfare Curriculum Analysis, Field Placement, and planning for 2023-2024.

REQUIRED ACTION

Please note dates and locations below. We ask that you attend the meeting within your assigned region. However, you are welcome to attend any of the other meetings. Timeframe for all meetings is 1:00pm-4:00pm.

Date	Region	Location
11/3/2022	5 and 7	Wilson County DSS 100 Gold St, Wilson
11/8/2022	1 and 2	Buncombe County DSS 40 Coxe Ave, Asheville
11/16/2022	4 and 6	Cumberland County DSS 1225 Ramsey St, Fayetteville
11/17/2022	5	Wake County HHS-Somerset Center 4401 Bland Road, Raleigh
11/30/2022	3	Guilford County DSS 1203 Maple St, Greensboro

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If you have questions about the meetings, please contact LaShonda S. Pickett, Workforce Coordinator at lashonda.stanley-pickett@dhhs.nc.gov or 919-588-0170.

Sincerely,

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Peter L. West,
Section Chief for County Operations
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