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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

ATTENTION: DIRECTORS, CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS, MANAGERS, SUPERVISORS, AND SOCIAL WORKERS and LICENSED CHILD PLACING AGENCIES

SUBJECT: 2024 Resource Families Survey Results

REQUIRED ACTION: Information Only Time Sensitive Immediate

The North Carolina Division of Social Services (NC DSS) is committed to the recruitment and retention of our resource parents. NC DSS partnered with Foster Family Alliance of North Carolina (FFA-NC), and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH) to conduct an annual survey (Resource Parents Needs assessment 2024) in May 2024 to receive feedback on the needs of our foster, kinship, and adoptive parents.

The information gleaned from the survey will assist public and private licensing agencies in shaping training, increasing supportive services, and improve the overall experience for our resource families. In addition, the results of the survey will give information on recommended recruitment strategies, the support resource families find essential, and the training topics resource families find beneficial.

NC DSS has scheduled a webinar for **September 5th, 2024**, at **1:30pm-2:30pm** to discuss the results of the needs assessment. Please register at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8122465569021226076> to attend this webinar. Registration for the webinar can occur up to the day of the webinar.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Jenny Millsaps, Foster Home Licensing Manager, at jenny.millsaps@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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