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January 29, 2003

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Attention: Adult Services Social Workers and Supervisors

Subject: Applications in Family-Centered Practice with Adults

I am pleased to announce that the workshop entitled *Applications in Family-Centered Practice with Adults - The Next Steps* is scheduled for **March 25, 2003** at the Cumberland County Department of Social Services in Fayetteville; **March 27, 2003** at the Catawba County Department of Social Services in Hickory; **April 25, 2003** at the Wake County Human Services in Raleigh; and **April 30, 2003** at Haywood Community College in Waynesville. The training was developed as part of the Division's contract with The Center for Aging Research and Educational Services (CARES), part of the Jordan Institute for Families at UNC-Chapel Hill School of Social Work.

This one day workshop builds on information taught in previous year's workshops on principles of family-centered practice in adult services. It is open to all staff who work with older and disabled adults. Through case scenarios, discussion, and group exercises, participants will explore real-life applications of the Adult Services Family-Centered Principles.

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to identify skills and attitudes that support family-centered practice, demonstrate family-centered goal setting and service planning, identify and address challenges to family-centered practice, and assess ways to increase family-centered practice in an agency setting.

Registration information for the workshop is attached and is also available through the **CARES website**: <http://ssw.unc.edu/cares/trnall.htm> Enrollment is limited to **40** participants to facilitate group discussion and participation. The registration fee is **\$20.00**. The **deadline for registration is ten working days before the first day of the workshop**.

If you or your staff need additional information, you are welcome to contact Suzanne Merrill in the Adult Services Branch at (919) 733-3818, your Adult Programs Representative, Libby Phillips at CARES, (919) 962-0650 or Jane Armstrong at CARES (919) 962-6419.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John T. Tanner".

John T. Tanner, Chief
Adult and Family Services Section

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