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SUBJECT: FEDERAL FUNDS FOR COUNTY CHILD WELFARE STATE IN HOME

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Pursuant to Session Law 2013-360 (S402) a funding authorization is being issued in the amount of \$4,826,346 in state dollars that will be divided among all counties. The allocation criteria, which was agreed upon by the NCACDSS (North Carolina Association of Directors of Social Services) fiscal workgroup, was to use the most current data from the Annie E Casey Foundation on child poverty rates in the US, obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2007-2011 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE). These funds are to be used for the provision of services to families who have been determined to have maltreated a child, or are in need of services to address family functioning following an assessment.

The North Carolina General Assembly has appropriated these funds for a two year period, fiscal years 2013-2015. Funds will be allocated on a quarterly basis. While no additional codes for use on the DSS-4263 (Worker Daily Report of Services to Clients) are needed, some modifications will be needed in the Maximus software used by county fiscal staff for processing the DSS-1571 Request for Reimbursement. The DHHS Controllers Office will be sending a Dear County letter to all counties with further instruction.

Currently, the non-IV-E portion of worker time coded to Service Codes 215, 219 and 228 with Program Code "Z", after application of the IV-E Foster Care Penetration Rate, is mapped within the TEC application to Function / Column 05/09 (Application Code 012), SSBG FEDERAL-CPS. Fiscal staff will need to change the mapping in TEC for the non-IV-E portion of time coded to these Service Code-Program Code combinations to the new Function / Column to be specified in forthcoming instructions from the Program/Benefit Payments Section of the DHHS Controller's Office.

If you have questions or concerns please contact your local business liaison.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Sommese".

Kathy Sommese
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