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Dear County Director of Social Services and Child Welfare Supervisor:

Subject: **At-Risk Children's Program Update**

The North Carolina State Collaborative for Children and Families is pleased to announce a new round of informational sessions regarding the At-Risk Children's Program. These sessions are a follow-up to the "New Beginnings" meetings we provided last Fall. The purpose of the upcoming sessions is to update families, staff of child serving agencies and advocates on the current state of the At-Risk Children's Program Funding.

Topics to be covered include the following:

- Documentation requirements
- Rate changes, Funding of residential and periodic services, & Billing questions
- Eligibility and Enrollment process
- Treating At-Risk eligible children and their families
- Developing a successful Community Collaborative—with input from programs who are in the development process
- Use of the Screening Tools for children involved with DSS agencies

In addition, we will review "Frequently Asked Questions" that are not covered in the above topics. There will also be time for new questions and answers.

We are pleased about the progress to date in the implementation of this program as part of the NC System of Care. We look forward to seeing all of you at the sessions. Please plan to attend as a team from your Community Collaborative (one team can consist of up to 6 people per Collaborative catchment area). Your team could consist of 1 representative from the Area Program, 1 from each represented DSS, 1 from DJJDP, 1 family or family advocacy representative, and two 'other' representatives (school, private provider representative, nonprofit, etc.). Space is limited, so please sign up early.

There will be four training sessions. Please choose the one that is most convenient for you and fax the attached registration form to the appropriate person listed below. Please see the attachments for directions to each site. Agencies should feel free to make as many copies of the registration form and directions as needed for your agency and/or community collaborative team. Registration is being taken for purposes of our getting a count of how many individuals are

attending. We anticipate there being enough space for everyone to attend, so for this reason we will not be sending confirmation letters. Please fax your registration to the individual below for the site you wish to attend:

Location	Date	Time	Register With
Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College (Laurel Building Art Auditorium), Asheville	June 4, 2001	9:30 am – 3:30 p.m.	Lou Decker NCDSS Asheville Regional Training Center Fax #: 828-251-6261
Cumberland County Department of Social Services, Fayetteville	June 15, 2001	9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.	Betty Williford NCDSS Kinston Regional Training Center Fax #: 252-520-2417
Nash/Edgecombe Community College (McIntyre Building A) Rocky Mount	June 18, 2001	9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.	Elaine Highsmith NCDSS Greensboro Regional Training Center Fax#: 336-334-3936
Rowan/Cabarrus Community College, Teaching Auditorium Salisbury	June 29, 2001	9:30 am – 3:30 p.m.	Bonnie English NCDSS Charlotte Regional Training Center Fax#: 704-330-2734

We look forward to seeing you there! Should you have questions, please contact: Rebecca Brigham at email: rebecca.brigham@ncmail.net or telephone: (919)733-7672.

Sincerely,



Charles C. Harris, Chief
Children's Services Section

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CHILDREN'S AT-RISK COLLABORATIVE MEETING

Registration Form

Name: _____

Agency/Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Location of Meeting Site: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please register with:

Asheville Lou Decker Fax: 828-251-6261

Fayetteville Betty Williford Fax: 252-520-2417

Nash/Edgecombe Elaine Highsmith Fax: 336-334-3936

Salisbury Bonnie English Fax: 704-330-2734

Directions

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, Laurel Building Auditorium

From I-40 Eastbound:

Exit # 50, which is the Biltmore Estates Exit. Turn left on Highway 25. (This is Biltmore Avenue). Continue straight ahead (toward town). At the 8th traffic light, turn left onto Victoria Road. Continue on Victoria Road, turn right just past the Holly Building. The Laurel Building is just behind Holly on the Right.

From I-40 Westbound:

Exit #50B, which is the Biltmore Estates Exit. Turn right on Highway 25. (This is Biltmore Avenue). Continue straight ahead (toward town). At the 8th traffic light, turn left onto Victoria Road. Continue on Victoria Road, turn right just past the Holly Building. The Laurel Building is just behind Holly on the Right.

Cumberland County DSS

Coming from the North (traveling South):

I-95 to Exit 56, (Route 301). This is also identified as the Fayetteville/Fort Bragg/ Pope Air Force Base exit. Travel approximately 6 miles. Turn right at the Sandpiper Restaurant onto Grove Street. Travel approximately .08 of a mile and turn right onto Ramsey Street. Go 1 mile, crossing over the railroad tracks. Turn left into the Cumberland County DSS complex immediately following the railroad crossing.

Coming from the South (traveling North):

I-95 to exit 52B. Go straight for approximately 8 miles (this will become Grove Street). Turn right onto Ramsey Street. Go 1 mile, crossing over the railroad tracks. Turn left into the Cumberland County DSS complex immediately following the railroad crossing.

Nash/Edgecombe Community College, McIntyre Building A

Traveling East from Raleigh:

Take 64 East out of Raleigh. You will pass through Knightdale and through Nashville and Rocky Mount – staying on Hwy 64 East, take exit #484 (Edgecombe Community College Exit). At stop sign turn right, at the next stop sign turn left. The college is less than ½ mile on right.

Rowan/Cabarrus Community College, Teaching Auditorium:

Traveling from Greensboro:

Take I-85 South to Salisbury Jake Alexander Blvd exit. Turn left at the top of the ramp, go across the bridge and the community college will be on the right. Turn right into the community college campus. Parking can be seen from I-85.