



## North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Social Services

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### **DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND CHILD-PLACING AGENCY DIRECTOR**

**Attention: Family Foster Home Licensing Workers and Supervisors**

**Subject: Training on the Changes to the Family Foster Home and Child-Placing Agency  
Rules**

There have been numerous forces behind the most recent revisions to the family foster home and the child-placing agency rules. In some areas, the language in the rules needed to be updated. In other instances, the rules needed to be revised to reflect current practice. Additionally, there have been state statutory and federal regulatory mandates that required substantive changes to licensing rules. The federal agency issued regulations recently to discourage the use of waivers, and the Department of Health and Human Services has been mandated to develop alternative family placements for children with mental health treatment needs. As a result of this recent state statutory mandate, the Division of Social Services will be responsible for licensing therapeutic foster homes. This change of statutory authority to the Division of Social Services also makes it possible for county department of social services to provide therapeutic care services.

Due to the legal process for policy approval, some of the rule changes, those known as "Temporary Rules" became effective February 1, 2002. (Refer to January 16, 2000, Dear County Director Letter.) The remainder of the changes, along with the ones previously temporarily passed, have subsequently been approved by the appropriate Commissions with an effective date of July 18, 2002. In order to ensure compliance with these revisions and facilitate the required changes by the county departments of social services, four 3-hour training sessions have been planned.

All trainings will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 1:00 p.m. Training sites are as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Registration Close Date</b>
May 23, 2002	The Boys and Girls Homes of NC Lake Waccamaw, NC	May 10, 2002
May 28, 2002	Catawba County Community College Hickory, NC	May 17, 2002

Date	Location	Registration Close Date
May 29, 2002	The Children's Home Winston-Salem, NC	May 17, 2002
June 6, 2002	Edgecombe-Nash Community College Rocky Mount	May 24, 2002

Directions to each site are attached. Confirmation letters will be forwarded to each participant upon receipt of their registration form. A registration form for this training can be obtained by copying the registration form out of the NCDSS Children's Services – Staff Development, Winter/Spring Training Schedule pg. 45, or by going to the NCDSS, Children's Services web site: <http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dss/childrensservices/>. (Click on the Training tab, click on "View the on-line version of the current Child Welfare Training Schedule", click on III. Registration, #3 Registration Form.) Registration Forms should be faxed to Clarence Lamb at (919) 733-9204. Please enter "Foster Family Home Rules Changes" as the course name on the registration form. Space is not limited at the Children's Home in Winston-Salem or at the Boys and Girls Homes of NC at Lake Waccamaw; however, it is limited at the other two training sites.

Should you have questions about this training please contact Elsie Roane at (919) 733-4622 or [elsie.roane@ncmail.net](mailto:elsie.roane@ncmail.net). If you have questions about the registration process please contact Clarence Lamb at (919) 733-7672 or [clarence.lamb@ncmail.net](mailto:clarence.lamb@ncmail.net).

Sincerely,



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Chief, Children's Services

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Attachments

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**Directions to The Children's Home:** Take I-40 and then Business 40 (off I-40) to downtown Winston-Salem to the Broad St. Exit (North). Follow Broad St. north through town. Broad St. branches off to the left and turns into Reynolda Road. There is an intersection here at the railroad overpass. The Children's Home campus entrance is on the right after you go under the railroad bridge. Enter the campus and take the first road to the left. The training will take place in the auditorium in the Edwards Bldg. Beyond the church to the right. Parking is available in the church parking lot or along the street. The address is: 1001 Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27104. If additional information is needed you may call them at: (336) 721-7600.

**Directions to Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina:** From Wilmington take 74 West approximately 40 miles. Turn left at the Lake Waccamaw/Boys and Girls Homes exit. Follow signs to Boys and Girls Homes approximately ½ mile. Turn right on Rube McCray Circle at Flemington Hall. The Chapel is on the left behind Flemington Hall. Meeting is in the Chapel basement.

From Raleigh: Take I-40 East towards Wilmington (US-70)/Benson. Exit at I-95 South, #328-A, towards Benson/Fayetteville. Merge onto I-95 South toward Lumberton. Take the US-74 exit #14 toward Lumberton. Turn left onto US-74 E. Follow 74 E approximately 40 miles to Lake Waccamaw. Turn right at the Boys and Girls Homes exit. Follow signs to Boys and Girls Homes approximately ½ mile. Turn right on Rube McCray Circle at Flemington Hall. The Chapel is on the left behind Flemington Hall. The address is: 400 Flemington Drive, Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450. If additional information is needed you may call them at: (910) 646-3083.

**Directions to Catawba Valley Community College** From I-40 take exit 126, Startown Road. Turn left onto Hwy 70. Turn right into CVCC campus. The training will be held in the Auditorium (the main building as you come into the campus). The address is 2550 Highway 70 SE, Hickory, NC 28602. If additional information is needed you may call them at (828) 327-7000.

**Directions to Edgecombe Community College** Take Hwy 64 to Rocky Mount, once in Rocky Mount remain on 64 East until you come to the exit for Atlantic Ave. Exit onto Atlantic Avenue, and turn left at the end of the exit ramp. Stay straight on Atlantic Ave. through four stoplights. The fourth light will be the intersection of Atlantic Ave. and Tarboro St. The Community College is on the corner at this intersection. Stay straight through the light and make an immediate right into the campus parking lot. The training is in the Main Building. The address is 225 Tarboro Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27801. If additional information is needed you may call them at (252) 446-0436.