

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

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November 15, 2001

**Dear County Director of Social Services**

**Attention: Children's Services Supervisors**

**Re: Update on Children Services Letters Posted on the DSS Website**

As you are aware, the Children's Services Section has been posting all of our letters, manuals, standards, statistics and training information on the Division webpage <http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dss/> and on the Children's Services webpage <http://childrensservices.dhhs.state.nc.us> since early Spring 2001. Although your agency does get notified via e-mail when new information is posted, it has come to our attention that a number of county DSS child welfare staff are unaware of important materials that have recently been distributed.

Due to the importance and volume of Children's Services material/information that is being distributed, we will begin to send one hard copy of all letters and materials to you in addition to posting the information on the website. We will also periodically send you an update like this one to advise you of pertinent and current information on the website. We have prepared the following listings of letters from July 2001 - Oct. 25, 2001 that are posted for your review.

- Dear County Director Letter dated, 07-07-01  
Subject: SFY 2001-2002 Facility Rates
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 07-12-01  
Subject: Statewide Contracts with Private Adoption Agencies
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 07-18-01  
Subject: Intensive family Preservation Services
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 08-06-01  
Subject: Links Special Funds Procedures for Access
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 08-09-01  
Subject: Suspension of Biennial Reviews and Anticipated Changes

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- Dear County Director Letter dated, 08-09-01  
Subject: Preparation for Federal IV-E Eligibility Review
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 08-14-01  
Subject: Participant Feedback Following Pre-Service Training
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 08-22-01  
Subject: Criminal Records Checks for Foster and Adoptive Parents Recent  
And Forthcoming Changes
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 08-28-01  
Subject: Changes to TEA Verification Form
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 09-07-01  
Subject: Changes to Family Foster Home Licensure Rules
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 09-18-01  
Subject: System of Care Partnership
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 09-21-01  
Subject: Change Notice for Manual, Volume I, Chapter IV, Child  
Placement Services
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 10-01-01  
Subject: Child Welfare Training Schedules for November, 2001
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 10-09-01  
Subject: Future Funding from the Division of Social Services
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 10-11-01  
Subject: Change Notice for Manual, Volume I, Chapter VI, Adoption Services,  
Section 1302
- Dear County Director Letter dated, 10-19-01  
Subject: Child and Family Services Review Protocol and Instruments
- Administrative Letter #1-01, dated, 08-01-01  
Subject: New Requirements Relating to Federal AFDC-EA Settlement  
Agreement
- Administrative Letter #2-01, dated, 10-02-01  
Subject: 2001 Legislative Changes Impacting County DSS Policy and Practice  
Federal Changes to IV-E Adoption Assistance.

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We hope this listing will assist you in our effort to keep your agency well informed of all changes. **Please make sure that your agency's child welfare staff receives copies of all letters and materials that the Division distributes.** Please call the Policy and Initiatives Team at (919) 733-3360 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



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