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Division of Social Services

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February 6, 2020

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**SUBJECT: INVITATION TO CHILD WELFARE CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES
PLAN (CFSP) DESIGN TEAM CONFERENCE WITH ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONER
JERRY MILNER ON FEBRUARY 24th**

REQUIRED ACTION: TIME SENSITIVE

You are invited to a one-day, statewide conference at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on February 24th. The conference is the “kickoff” of the 2020 Child and Family Services Plan (CFSP) design teams. During the next few years, the design teams will provide valuable leadership and stakeholder input towards improving child welfare outcomes for children and families in North Carolina.

I am delighted to announce that Dr. Jerry Milner, Associate Commissioner at the Children’s Bureau, will be the conference keynote speaker. Also, county and state public and private partners will describe NC’s efforts and the critical role of the design teams. In the afternoon, the members of the five design teams will participate in “breakout” sessions.

As described in the December 2019 DCD letter that requested nominations for the design teams, each of the five design teams will be responsible for one of the five major strategic priorities in our recently approved 2020-2024 CFSP: safety, permanency, well-being, continuous quality improvement, and workforce development.

We received many nominations for the design teams from people across the state who were clearly passionate about improving child welfare. We are very proud of the design teams we have assembled and yet know that many very talented nominees could not be chosen at this time. Persons not selected will be considered for additional opportunities in the coming months.

We hope you will join us to help launch the design teams and to hear inspirational messages from Dr. Milner, and from leaders and stakeholders of our child welfare system.

Please email Tracy Turner (Tracy.Turner@dhhs.nc.gov) if you and/or a designee will be able to attend. The event will also be “live streamed”, and that link will be available from Tracy Turner, as well.

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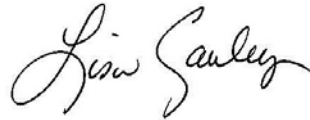
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I hope to see you February 24th and look forward to working in partnership with you to create child welfare services of which we can all be proud.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Cauley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and a long, sweeping underline.

Lisa Tucker Cauley
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Cc: Susan Osborne, Assistant Secretary for County Operations
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