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**DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR of SOCIAL SERVICES**

**ATTENTION: DIRECTORS AND CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM MANAGERS**

**SUBJECT: COMMUNITY CHILD PROTECTION TEAM (CCPT) END OF YEAR REPORT 2015**

This letter is to remind county child welfare agencies that their local Community Child Protection Team (CCPT) plays a vital role in the assessment of the child welfare system in North Carolina. The local CCPT has the opportunity, via the end of year survey, to inform how well the available service array and resource development efforts are functioning in your county, and how well your community is responding to the service needs of children and families.

The CCPT, as an interdisciplinary group of community representatives who meet regularly to promote a community-wide approach to child maltreatment, is in a unique position to encourage community-wide involvement in the prevention of child maltreatment. In this role, the responses from the 2015 end of year survey will inform the mandated report to county commissioners and to the Division.

Assisting your local CCPT with their end of year report is just one way to actively engage in a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) process. In addition, it is one of the activities that mandated by the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA).

Previous end of year surveys have identified recurring family issues: mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse. Recurring systemic issues have also been identified; therefore, the 2015 survey is taking a closer look at the delivery of Child and Family Team (CFT) meetings as this is one concrete process that connects systems with child and family issues.

The local CCPT chairperson will be provided a link to complete the 2015 end of year survey by Dr. Joan Pennell at North Carolina State University. We encourage you to work with your CCPT to ensure that the survey is completed by January 31, 2016. Should you have any questions, please contact Terri Reichert at (919) 527-6406 or at [terri.reichert@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:terri.reichert@dhhs.nc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Attachments (1) Notification to CCPT Chairperson – 2015 Survey Announcement

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