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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Subject: MRS LEARNING INSTITUTE, 2005 "SAVE THE DATE"

The Division is honored to invite you and your Family Support and Child Welfare staff to its 2005 MRS Training Institute. We want to use this as an opportunity to provide hands on training from both nationally recognized experts and local ones on applications related to the 7 strategies of MRS. The MRS Training Institute will promote learning through intensive half-day and full-day workshops focused on skills-building. This will be an exciting year of change for us all and we can think of no better way to begin it than by bringing all the agencies together for 3 days of learning, networking, and motivation.

The Institute will begin at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 1st and conclude the afternoon of Friday, June 3rd. It will be held at the Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. It is connected to the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons. It is located at 3121 High Point Road Greensboro, NC 27407. The hotel telephone number is (336) 292-9161. You will receive additional details concerning event registration and lodging in the near future. We recognize that this event has been scheduled during a time period that is traditionally met with travel restrictions in many of your counties, and are developing strategies designed to limit some of the cost for you and your staff to attend and receive this training. We will provide you with specific details on those strategies in the registration materials.

Any questions concerning the MRS Institute should be directed to Tony Troop, MRS Program Coordinator OR Teresa Turner, and Staff Development Team Leader. Mr. Troop may be contacted by telephone at (919) 733-4624 or by e-mail at Tony.Troop@ncmail.net. Ms. Turner may be contacted by telephone at (919) 733-7672 or e-mail at Teresa.Turner@ncmail.net.

Thank you for your commitment to the safety, permanence, and well-being of North Carolina's children and families. We are delighted to be working with you to better serve the children and families in North Carolina. I look forward to meeting with you in person at the Institute in Greensboro to continue to build our partnership in MRS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo Ann Lamm".

Jo Ann Lamm, Section Chief
Family Support and Child Welfare Services Section

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