



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

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Michael F. Easley, Governor
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(919) 733-3055

July 7, 2004

Dear County Director of Social Services

**Attention LINKS county liaisons
RE: Annual LINKS county plan**

Attached you will find the outline for your 2004-05 LINKS county plan. Plans are to be prepared in narrative form and should reflect your county's design for mandated and optional services to this population in order for you to continue receiving a program allocation. Please submit the completed plan and the signed copy of the Statement of Assurance by Friday, July 30, 2005 at 5:00 pm. The fax number is (919) 715-0766. Please remind the staff that they do *not* need to return the outline with the plan.

The design of the plan this year has changed very little since last year. Each county agency is required to provide LINKS services and resources to eligible youth and young adults ages 16-21 who are still in custody or on CARS agreements, as well as to young adults who aged out of your county's custody. We hope that you will also be able to serve other eligible teens and young adults. While you are no longer required to send quarterly reports of services to the Division, you will need to maintain information on outcomes of your services, particularly on young adults who aged out of care. The survey of your county program services and outcomes for the Federal Fiscal Year 2003-2004 will be issued in October, 2004.

Thank you for your timely response to this letter and for the services you are providing to this group of young people. We are encouraged by the outcomes resulting from your hard work.

Sincerely,

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

Jo Ann Lamm, Program Administrator
Family Support and Child Welfare Services

cc: Sherry Bradsher
Children's Programs Representatives
Family Support/Child Welfare Team Leaders

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