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Division of Social Services

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April 25, 2007

Dear Director of Social Services

Attention: Children's Services Program Administrators and Supervisors

Subject: Suspension of Child and Family Services Reviews in July and August 2007

North Carolina recently completed the federal Child and Family Services Review. As a result of lessons learned during the federal review, the Division has made the decision to suspend Child and Family Services Reviews at the completion of the 2005-2007 biennium on June 30, 2007. The suspensions will include county Child and Family Services Reviews scheduled for July and August and will allow time for completion of revisions to the Child and Family Services Review instrument and process based on the findings from the federal review report. The revisions will enhance our review process and assist us in better measuring our efforts towards successfully meeting the outcomes of the Child and Family Services Review. The counties affected by the suspension of reviews are listed below:

Cabarrus	Henderson	Wake	Mecklenburg
Rockingham	Burke	Yancey	Lenoir

Another Dear County Director letter will be issued with the new revisions to our Child and Family Services Review based on consultation with the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) and our County DSS and State Partners. At that time, the reviews will re-commence.

If you have questions, please contact Beverly Daniel at (919) 733-9461. And as always, thank you for all you do for our children and families in North Carolina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Esther T. High".

Esther T. High, Acting Section Chief
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cc: Sherry Bradsher
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