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**DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**ATTENTION: Work First Program Administrators and Supervisors**

**SUBJECT: Work First Training: CORNERSTONE IIIB**

In anticipation of our suggested training needs and as part of our ongoing training efforts, the Division is pleased to announce a very special training opportunity for the Work First Program Staff.

Cornerstone IIIB is a foundational training on the principles, knowledge, and skills related to family-centered practice. This 3-day workshop provides foundation training in family-centered practice for Work First workers and their supervisors. The workshop will be based on the six principles necessary for family-centered partnership. Day one begins with an opportunity for participants to use two solution-focused tools to assess and set goals for the practice. Day two provides an in-depth look at each of the six principles of partnership and Day three provides an opportunity for each participant to make the principles their own as they use their "toolbox" with an actual case. This training was developed by Appalachian Family Innovations, Appalachian State University.

Below you will find a list of the tentative dates and locations.

**Cornerstone IIIB  
TRAINING CALENDAR  
May 21, 2007 thru June 28, 2007**

<b>Date of Event</b>	<b>Location of Event</b>
May 21-23, 2007	YWCA High Point, NC
May 21-23, 2007	New Hanover Co DSS Wilmington, NC
May 22-24, 2007	Eliada Home (PARC Bldg) Asheville, NC
May 29-31, 2007	Ben Craig Center Charlotte, NC
May 29-31, 2007	Surry County Government Center Dobson, NC
May 29-31, 2007	Cumberland County DSS Fayetteville, NC
June 11-13, 2007	St. Mark's Episcopal Church Raleigh, NC
June 12-14, 2007	Craven County DSS New Bern, NC
June 25-27, 2007	Martin County Community College Williamston, NC
June 26-28, 2007	Western Piedmont Community College (WPCC) Phifer Learning Center Morganton, NC

If you want to register thru fax, complete the attached registration form and fax to: Donna Pearson @ 828-430-8762.

For additional information, you may contact your Work First Representative or Gretchen Williams at (919) 733-4622. Ms. Williams email address is [Gretchen .Williams@ncmail.net](mailto:Gretchen.Williams@ncmail.net).

Sincerely,



Esther T. High, Acting Chief  
Family Support and Child Welfare Section

Attachments:

[Registration Form](#)

[Cornerstone IIIB Descr-2](#)

[Registration Info Corn-2](#)

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