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Division of Social Services

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April 15, 2004

Re: Payment Accuracy Meetings

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Attention: Food Stamp Supervisors

Payment Accuracy Meetings continue to be a part of the State's Food Stamp Corrective Action Plan. These meetings focus on policy regulations and procedural techniques that will enhance our payment accuracy rate. In addition, these meetings provide an opportunity for counties to review and discuss error trends that are occurring across the State. Recent and upcoming policy changes are also discussed.

A tentative agenda is attached with topics to be discussed. Most are the result of requests from the last Payment Accuracy Meetings.

Meetings are scheduled as follows:

Region I
Buncombe County Library, Black Mountain Branch

May 13, 2004
Black Mountain, N. C.

Alexander, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Gaston, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey.

Region II
Rowan Cooperative Extension Service

May 11, 2004
Salisbury, N. C.

Alamance, Alleghany, Iredell, Cabarrus, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Davie, Durham, Forsyth, Franklin, Granville, Guilford, Mecklenburg, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Vance, Wake, and Yadkin.

**Region III
Cumberland Co. DSS, Mtg. Rooms C&D**

**May 4, 2004
Fayetteville, N. C.**

Anson, Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, Harnett, Hoke, Johnston, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, New Hanover, Pender, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Stanly, Union and Wayne.

**Region IV
Martin Community College**

**May 5, 2004
Williamston, N. C.**

Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Greene, Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Lenoir, Jones, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Pitt, Tyrrell, Warren, Washington, and Wilson.

In order to prepare for these meetings, please email Charlene Morris at charlene.morris@ncmail.net indicating the number of individuals who will attend from your county. Please provide a response no later than April 28, 2004. Depending on the responses received and space availability, we may be able to accommodate requests from counties who would like to attend a location other than the one shown above.

Lunch will not be available for purchase at these meetings, as several restaurants are located within close proximity. Information concerning restaurants will be made available at the meeting.

We look forward to your county's participation in this meeting. Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Charlene Morris at (252) 244-1730 or charlene.morris@ncmail.net or your Food Assistance and Energy Programs Representative.

Sincerely,

Jane Schwartz, Chief
Economic Services Section

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Attachment

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