



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

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Michael F. Easley, Governor
Carmen Hooker Odom, Secretary

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November 7, 2006

Re: 2006 Career Start Conference

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Attention: Food Stamp Supervisors

The 2006 Human Resource Development-Career Start Training Academy will be held on December 7-8, 2006 at the Marriott Hotel/Embassy Suites in Winston-Salem. The planning committee has put together an exciting line-up of workshop topics focused on HRD, employment and training and Career Start core services—assessment, instructional training, and career development activities.

Attached you will find a tentative agenda, registration and payment information. The HRD-Career Start Training Academy is the premier staff development activity for this fiscal year.

Please note that Wednesday's agenda is for community college staff. The Departments of Social Services and Employment Security Commission staff will attend on Thursday and Friday.

There will be a \$45.00 registration fee to cover the cost of lunch on Thursday, buffet breakfast on Friday, breaks, and training materials. **Registration payment is due by December 1, 2006. THERE WILL BE NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION.** The Division will reimburse conference expenses (registration, travel, meals and lodging) for representatives from Career Start counties.

For scheduling purposes, everyone must pre-register for all workshops. This will ensure that we have enough handouts and the room settings are appropriate. Workshops will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Please note that you can pre-register for workshops before paying your registration fee.

For reservations at the Embassy Suites, call 800-696-6107. A single room at the Embassy Suites is \$59.75 and a double is \$89.00. For reservations at the Marriott, call 800-320-0934. A single room at the Marriott is \$66.75 and a double room is \$103.00. Both hotels are holding a block of rooms until November 14, 2006.

If you have questions, please call David Prince or Kathy Evans at 919-733-4570.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Schwartz".

Jane Schwartz
Economic Services Section

Attachments
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cc: Sherry Bradsher
Food Assistance and Energy Representatives