



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

325 North Salisbury Street  
2420 Mail Service Center • Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-2420  
Courier # 56-20-25

Michael F. Easley, Governor  
Dempsey Benton, Secretary

Sherry S. Bradsher, Director  
(919) 733-3055

November 16, 2007

**Re: SNAP Applications and  
Telephone Surveys for SNAP  
Evaluation**

**Dear County Director of Social Services:**

**Attention: Food and Nutrition Services Supervisors  
Medicaid Supervisors**

North Carolina implemented the demonstration project entitled Simplified Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) in July 2005. As part of the criteria for implementation, North Carolina was mandated by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to perform evaluations of SNAP at 15 and 30 month intervals for the project's duration. North Carolina is currently in the process of conducting the 30 month evaluation and is required to calculate the difference between the benefit amount issued under SNAP, and the benefit amount participants would receive under the regular Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) Program, based on actual household circumstances. A random sample of 800 active SNAP cases was selected to conduct this evaluation.

We are requesting a copy of the DSS-6240, SNAP Application, for the participants listed on the attached report. A report is not attached for counties without a selected case. A DSS-6240 will not exist for cases that have been converted from the regular FNS Program. When submitting the requested DSS-6240s, indicate which cases have been converted.

Please send a copy of the requested SNAP applications to:

Economic Services Section  
Attention: Erica Jennings  
2420 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-2420

You may also send the applications via courier mail to Courier # 56-20-25 or fax to (919) 733-0645. Please send the applications no later than November 28, 2007.

Also, as part of the 30 month evaluation, North Carolina will be conducting telephone surveys from the random sample of 800 active SNAP participants, with the goal of 200 completed surveys. Researchers from the UNC School of Social Work at Chapel Hill will conduct the surveys and will be contacting SNAP participants beginning December 1, 2007. All active Medicaid recipients, currently receiving SSI, will receive an insert with their December 2007 Medicaid card, informing them of the possibility of being contacted to participate in the survey. Attached is a sample of the notice they will receive. However, only active SNAP participants, from the random sample, may be contacted for the survey.

If you have any questions, please contact your Food and Nutrition Services & Energy Programs Representative.

Sincerely,

/S/

Adonica Hampton, Assistant Chief  
Economic Services Section

AH:ej  
Attachments  
**FNSEP-15-2007**