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To: County Directors of Social Services  
From: DHHS Division of Information Resource Management  
CC: NC FAST Stakeholders  
Date: September 9, 2005  
Re: NC FAST Project Director Resignation

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This is to formally notify all 100 counties of a recent change to the NC FAST project staffing. Carol Sharer, who has been serving as the project director since March of 2005, has made the difficult decision to resign from that position. While this is a significant set-back for the project, it does not mean the end to this effort, nor should Carol's decision be interpreted as a change in direction or dedication to the project from the State's perspective. Carol has done an outstanding job in getting the current effort on the successful path to developing a case management system.

All who have worked with Carol admire her skills and professionalism. Additionally, we wish her well as she addresses some personal matters which prompted this decision. Her departure will undoubtedly be felt, not only by the project staff, but to all who are involved with NC FAST. Carol will continue to serve as the full time project director through September 30, 2005.

The Division of Information Resource Management is developing transition plans to minimize the impact to the project from this decision. The interim plans will be reviewed by the NC FAST Executive Advisory Committee. Once a permanent Project Director has been assigned, we will send a statewide communication and update.

Thank you for your continued support of NC FAST.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Kelley".

Kevin Kelley  
Interim Business Manager