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Dear County Directors of Social Services

Attention: Food and Nutrition Services Work First and Energy Programs Administrators, Managers and Supervisors

Subject: Correction for Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation (MEUC) and Reference Chart of Unemployment Insurance Benefit Codes and Types

Priority: Information and Action Required

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of this letter is to correct the previous guidance that was provided in the [Revised Extended Pandemic Unemployment Insurance Benefit \(PUIB\)](#) communication. The Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation (MEUC) is not countable income for the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) program. The MEUC unearned income must be removed from FNS cases. Evaluate any cases that were closed/denied to determine if the cases should be reopened. If the case was under-issued benefits, issue a supplement/restoration for each month the MEUC was counted as unearned income. Operational Support Team (OST) will inform the eleven counties of the 20 cases that include MEUC unearned income.

II. IMPLEMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS

For reference use the following procedures to identify any cases that may not have been identified that need the MEUC payment evidence removed:

- Review reports May 2021 through July 2021 in [FAST Help](#) to determine which cases require MEUC unearned income to be removed. The link to the report is as follows, [FAST Help/Economic Services/COVID-19/Reports/Global/Pandemic UIB/Benefit Reductions and Modifications/2021/FNS](#) tab.

Continue to Utilize the revised Reference Chart of Unemployment Insurance Benefit Codes and Types to determine countable and non-countable PUIB.

Submit any questions regarding this information to the Operational Support Team (OST) at DSS.Policy.Questions@dhhs.nc.gov.

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Sincerely,

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Attachment (1)

Unemployment Insurance Benefit (UIB) Codes and Types

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