DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR of SOCIAL SERVICES

ATTENTION: DIRECTORS AND CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM MANAGERS

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY CHILD PROTECTION TEAM (CCPT) END OF YEAR REPORT

The end of year Community Child Protection Team (CCPT) survey is being released to each of the local chairpersons, and is attached for your reference. The purpose of the survey is to gather collective information that will inform the annual report, which is mandated by the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA). The specific CAPTA requirement is the establishment of Citizen Review Panels. North Carolina has designated the CCPT as its Citizen Review Panel. The purpose of these panels is to provide new opportunities for citizens to play an integral role in ensuring that states are meeting their goals of protecting children from maltreatment. The local CCPT chairperson has been provided a link to complete an end of year survey.

The CCPT is in a unique position to encourage community wide involvement in the prevention of child maltreatment, and as resources become more limited, we are challenged to find new ways to accomplish our work. Since the CCPT is an interdisciplinary group of community representatives who meet regularly to promote a community-wide approach to child maltreatment, we would like to encourage the exploration of expanding and evolving the use of CCPT as a continuous quality improvement (CQI) strategy. Assisting your local CCPT with their end of year report is just one way to actively engage in a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) process.

Attached to this letter you will find a copy of the year end survey being sent to all local chairpersons via SurveyMonkey; the deadline for completion of the on-line survey is January 31, 2014, by the CCPT chairperson. Should you have any questions, please contact Terri Reichert (919) 527-6406 / terri.reichert@dhhs.nc.gov or Rick Zechman (919) 527-6433 / eric.zechman@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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