October 3, 2018

DEAR COUNTY DIRECTORS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

ATTENTION: Directors, Agency Attorneys, Program Managers and Child Welfare Professionals

SUBJECT: HUMAN TRAFFICKING POLICY AND TRAINING WEBINARS

REQUIRED ACTION: _X_ Time Sensitive __ Immediate

PURPOSE

The purpose of this letter is to inform county child welfare agencies that child welfare policy regarding human trafficking has been updated to reflect the provisions of Session Law 2018-68 (House Bill 776) Adoption and Juvenile Law Changes and Session Law 2018-75 (Senate Bill 162) Human Trafficking and Restorative Justice. Please see the attached Change Notice CWS-CN-05-2018 for more information. The policy is effective November 1, 2018. Additionally, this letter is to inform county child welfare agencies of rescheduled training opportunities regarding the human trafficking policy changes necessitated by these legislative changes.

The Division, in partnership with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Social Work and Project NO REST, will offer four 90-minute live webinars to child welfare workers, supervisors, and program managers to prepare the workforce for this implementation. The content of each webinar will be the same and will include an overview of human trafficking laws, a discussion of the policy changes, and practice guidance.

REQUIRED ACTION

Participants must register in advance of the webinars using the links below:

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A link to the webinar will be sent to participants once registered. Participants should use that link to join the webinar on the day of the training.

If you have questions about the webinars, please contact Erin Conner at (919) 527-6351 or at erin.conner@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

Lisa T. Cauley
Deputy Director for Child Welfare
Division of Social Services

Cc: Michael Becketts, Assistant Secretary for Human Services
Kristin O’Connor, Section Chief for Policy and Programs
Teresa Strom, Local Support Team Manager
Kathy Dobbs, Staff Development Team Manager

Attachments: CWS-CN-05-2018
Human Trafficking Policy
Service Providers and Other Referrals in Human Trafficking Cases – by County

CWS-40-2018