October 31, 2012

RE: Electronic Pre-Assessment Screening Service (ePASS)

Dear County Director of Social Services:

Effective August 16, 2012, the Medicaid/North Carolina Health Choice application was added to ePASS. Applications must be reviewed upon receipt to determine the programs the applicant has applied for to ensure that benefits are evaluated appropriately.

When the applicant begins the application, there are three options to choose from which indicate the program/programs they wish to apply for. The options are: “Select All Programs”, “Food and Nutrition Services”, and “Medicaid/North Carolina Health Choice”. Once the instructions for printing are followed and the application is printed, the type of application will be indicated on the first page under the heading “NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES”. “Application for Health and Human Services” indicates that they are applying for all programs; “Application for Food and Nutrition Services” indicates that they are applying for FNS only and “Application for Medicaid/North Carolina Health Choice” indicates that they are applying for MA/Health Choice only.

If you have any questions, contact your Food and Nutrition Services and Energy Programs Regional Support Team directly via email.

Sincerely,

Dean Simpson, Chief
Economic and Family Services

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