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Dear County Directors of Social Services and Local Purchasing Agencies

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Attention:

Directors of County Departments of Social Services

Directors of Other Local Purchasing Agencies

Child Care Coordinators

Other DSS Personnel who work with the Subsidized Child Care Assistance Program

Subject:

Technical Assistance Unit

The purpose of this Dear County Director Letter is to announce that the Subsidized Child Care Assistance (SCCA) Program now has a Technical Assistance (TA) Unit. Penny Dickens, Dawn Roberts, and Belinda Thomas are the Subsidy Services Consultants that make up this unit and this unit is supervised by Elizabeth Everette. A territory map is attached indicating which counties will be covered by which consultants.

The TA consultants will begin contacting counties in the last part of January. The consultants will discuss your current county needs related to the SCCA Program and will plan TA activities with you based on your needs. TA activities may include individual phone calls, conference calls with your staff, and/or face to face visits.

DCDEE is working to increase this unit with additional consultants and a manager. More information will be provided as DCDEE fills these positions.

Please continue to send your policy related questions to the Policy Help Desk at <a href="mailto:dcdee.subsidy.policy.help@dhhs.nc.gov">dcdee.subsidy.policy.help@dhhs.nc.gov</a> and you will continue to receive responses. The TA activities will be provided in addition to assistance and support from the Policy Help Desk.

If you have questions about the information in this letter, or other Subsidized Child Care Assistance Program questions, please contact <a href="mailto:dcdee.subsidy.policy.help@dhhs.nc.gov">dcdee.subsidy.policy.help@dhhs.nc.gov</a> for policy consultation.

Sincerely,

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