

Monthly Director's Report to Board of Social Services



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~ Medicaid Transformation: Susan G. Osborne, Assistant Secretary for County Operations issued a letter to DSS Directors on July 1, 2019 stating a decision was made to delay sending enrollment packets to beneficiaries in Regions 2 and 4 that were scheduled to begin on July 1, 2019 due to new legislation that was proposed. The new legislation is:

“Senate Bill 212, 4th edition Part III. POTENTIAL DELAY OF MEDICAID AND NC HEALTH CHOICE TRANSFORMATION SECTION 7. If House Bill 966, 2019 Regular Session, does not become law by July 15, 2019, then the Department of Health and Human Services shall delay, until at least March 1, 2020, the implementation of the Medicaid and Health Choice transformation required by S.L. 2015-245, as amended, and by the 1115 demonstration waiver.” House Bill 966 is the FY19/20 Budget Bill.

~ NC FAST Case-Management: Senate Bill 212, 4th edition PART I POSTPONE DEPLOYMENT OF NC FAST CASE-MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONALITY FOR CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM/AGING AND ADULT SERVICES’ PROGRAMS. This bill states:

“The Division shall not deploy the child welfare case-management component of the NC Fast system statewide prior to May 1, 2020, but instead shall continue to develop and improve case-management functionality for the child welfare component of NC Fast only in those counties that participated in the initial pilot program prior to January 1, 2019.” Previously the date was October 1, 2019. Henderson County elected to continue to utilize the Intake and Assessment functionality.

~ In June 2019 two of our LINKS youth graduated from East Henderson High School. Each of these graduates received a \$500.00 incentive for reaching this milestone.

~ Future Space Renovation: On June 19, 2019 the Henderson County Board of Commissioners approved the release of a Request for Quotes (RFQ) for Phase 1 of the future space renovation.

~ Annual Single audit: Work is continuing on the compliance audit. Martin Starnes staff will be onsite at DSS the week of July 15, 2019 for interim work. They will return in the fall to complete their onsite work.