SERVICES INFORMATION SYSTEM (SIS) USERS MANUAL - UPDATE

CHANGE NO. <u>02-04</u>

DATE: September 30, 2004

TO: Adult and Family Services Staff and Supervisors

Work First Staff and Supervisors

Program Administrators and County Fiscal Officers

EFFECTIVE: October 1, 2004

The Services Information System User's Manual has been revised to incorporate the following changes.

The following Adult Services service codes have been eliminated:

393 - Resident Evaluation Identification and Pre-Screening Services

394 – Resident Evaluation Services

The codes are being eliminated based upon action by the NC General Assembly to eliminate the Resident Evaluation Program for individuals applying for and receiving State/County Special Assistance for Adults.

Service Code 532 - Work First Transportation Services has been modified.

Effective immediately, the policy enacted with Change Notice No. 0104, (CN-SIS-0104) requiring a Work First Cash Assistance recipient receiving this service to have a DSS-5027 open in SIS is rescinded. In addition, it is no longer required to report worker time spent in activities associated with **Work First Transportation** on the DSS-4263.

532 – Work First Transportation Services

Use on the DSS-1571 Part II (Client ID not required)

After issuance of the SIS Change Notice No. 01-04 regarding the coding of Work First Transportation (532) on day sheets effective September 1, 2004, the Division received communications from several county Departments of Social Services that this change creates a significant burden on county staff and administrative time. Counties should return to the previous practice of reporting 532 on the DSS 1571.

There continues to be a need to be able to track transportation to each specific funding source, which was the impetus behind the earlier policy change. However, representatives from the Division and DHHS will be working along with county representatives to find an alternative method for tracking that will have the least possible impact on counties as possible.

Other Changes

Edits have been made to the manual section "INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SIS CLIENT ENTRY FORM, DSS-5027" to clarify policy and procedures. These clarifications address:

Opening and closing client records

Edits have been made to the manual section "INSTRUCTIONS FOR WORKER DAILY REPORT OF SERVICES (DSS-4263)" to clarify policy and procedures. These clarifications address:

Due date and submission of forms

Appendix B has been edited as follows:

- The Service "grids" on pages B-4 and B-7 have been edited, as appropriate, to reflect the changes in this Notice
- The Service "grid" V. on pages B-6 has been edited for **991** <u>Crisis Intervention</u> <u>Program</u> to reflect that purchased services are allowed
- The definitions for 393 <u>Resident Evaluation Identification and Pre-Screening</u>
 <u>Services</u> and 394 <u>Resident Evaluation Services</u> have been deleted
- The definition for **532 Work First Transportation Services** has been edited to reflect the changes in this Notice
- A "Note" has been added to the definition of 991 <u>Crisis Intervention Program</u> to clarify how to report costs associated with the purchase of staff time for administration of this service.

The SIS User's Manual has been updated with these changes and is available in PDF format (see below). This version, which is the same as the on-line version, is the official version of the SIS User's Manual.

If you do not have access to the on-line manuals, you may obtain the PDF file on disk, or a hard copy (limit one per county) of the SIS User's Manual by contacting Performance Reporting and Automation at 919-733-4530.

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- Go to the DSS On-Line Manuals website at http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dss/rim-01/chg/index.htm
- 2. Click on Change No. 02-04

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Instructions for the SIS Client Entry Form, DSS-5027

page 2, dated 07-30-2004

Instructions for Worker Daily Report of Services (DSS-4263)

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Instructions for the SIS Client Entry Form, DSS-5027

page 2, dated 10-01-2004

Instructions for Worker Daily Report of Services (DSS-4263)

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