CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL

MANUAL: State Refugee Office Manual

TO: County Directors of Social Services

CHANGE NO: 1-2023

SUBJECT: Policy Updates

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

I. BACKGROUND

The purpose of this change notice is to update State Refugee Office (SRO) Manual. The SRO manual chapters have been reformatted for consistency and clarification as well as removing outdated references. Current policies issued via Administrative Letters or Dear County Director Letters have been addressed and incorporated in these policy updates.

II. SPECIFIC CHANGES

I. CHAPTER I
 Clarification on Cuban and Haitian Entrants and status information.
 Updates on information for Afghan Humanitarian Parolees.
 Updated information on Eligibility Documentation
Clarification and updates of definitions.
II. CHAPTER II
Updates on information for Afghan Humanitarian Parolees.
Clarification of Eligibility process. Reiterating that Refugees must FIRST be
evaluated for all Medicaid programs and determined ineligible PRIOR to being
placed on RMA.
Clarification and updates of definitions.
III. CHAPTER III
Updates on information for Afghan Humanitarian Parolees
Clarification on Non-Employable Entrants
Clarification and updates of definitions
IV. CHAPTER IV
Updates on information for Refugee Service Programs, including Refugee Support
Services, Refugee School Impact, Refugee Early School Impact, Services to Older
Refugees, Refugee Youth Mentoring, Refugee Health Promotion and Refugee Mental Health Initiative.
Clarification on Non-Employable Entrants
Updated information on Eligibility
 Clarified intake and enrollment processes
 Clarification and updates of definitions
 Updated Services list
Updated Services list

V. CHAPTER V

- Clarified the requirement and process for submitting a Performance Improvement
 Plan (PIP)
- Clarified the requirement and process for submitting a Corrective Action Plan (CAP)

VI. APPENDIX

- Updates to Appendices-
- Appendix A Local Affiliate Offices for National Voluntary Agencies
- Appendix B NC Refugee Service Providers
- Appendix C Refugee Social Service Codes, Services, Descriptions & Units
- Appendix G Cuban & Haitian Entrants Fact Sheet
- Appendix K Victim of Human Trafficking Fact Sheet
- Appendix L Benefits for Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees Fact Sheet

III. IMPLEMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS

These changes are effective immediately, Submit any questions regarding this policy to <u>RefugeeAssistance.Policy.Questions@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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