SERVICES INFORMATION SYSTEM (SIS) USERS MANUAL - UPDATE

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TO: Child Welfare Services Staff, Supervisors and Program Managers

Adult Services Staff, Supervisors and Program Managers, Economic

Services Staff, Supervisors and Program Managers

EFFECTIVE: July 1, 2013 (Family Reunification Fund) and July 15, 2013 (NC FAST Service Codes)

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

A new Program Code, 24 – Family Reunification Fund (Title IV-B-2), has been established. This Program Code represents allocations to counties of 100% IV-B, Subpart 2 funds for the provision of time-limited family reunification services. This Program Code is valid with the following Service Codes:

120 - Family Reunification Services

Use on the DSS-5027, DSS-4263 (Client ID required) and the DSS-1571 Part IV (Client ID required). Note that the definition for Family Reunification Services has also changed. Refer to Appendix B for details.

333 - <u>Individual And Family Adjustment Paraprofessional Services - Child Welfare Services</u>

Use on the DSS-5027, DSS-4263 (Client ID required) and the DSS-1571 Part IV (Client ID required).

Three new Service Codes have been added for use by workers actively engaged in using NC FAST. These Service Codes are:

890 - NC FAST - Case Management

Use on the DSS-4263 only (Client ID not required)

891 - NC FAST - Applications

Use on the DSS-4263 only (Client ID not required)

892 - NC FAST - Recertifications

Use on the DSS-4263 only (Client ID not required)

The following Program Codes are valid for use on the DSS-4263 with the NC FAST Service Codes:

FS – Food & Nutrition Services Administration

HC – Health Choice

MA - Medicaid Administration

PA - Refugee Assistance

SA - State/County Special Assistance

T – Title XIX Medical Transportation

9 - Work First Block Grant

Program Code **R – TANF 100% Federally Funded** is also valid with the NC FAST Service Codes, <u>but should not be used on the DSS-4263</u>. County Finance officers may reassign a portion of costs for worker time coded to Program Code 9 with these Service Codes to TANF during preparation of the DSS-1571.

A discussion of these Service Codes, their use and the process for determining which Program Code(s) to use on the DSS-4263 is available at https://dss.ncgovconnect.com/ncfasttime/.

Appendix B tables have been updated to include the new NC FAST Service Codes and the new Family Reunification Fund Program Code. Appendix B - Definitions has been updated to include the new definition for Service Code 120 – Family Reunification Services and clarification in the usage "NOTE" under Service Code 381 – Services Intake.

Appendix C has been updated to include the description of the new Program Code, **24** - Family Reunification Fund (Title IV-B-2).

Other Changes

Various edits to other sections of the SIS User's manual have been made including:

- Deletion of a reference to the defunct "SIS Desk Reference" under DSS-5027 Section B. Service Plan
- An update to the text in DSS-4263, By Whom Prepared, Item 4.
- An update to the text in DSS-4263, <u>Instructions for Specific Items</u>
- The addition of new Program Code 24 Family Reunification Fund (Title IV-B-2) in DSS-4263, Instructions for Specific Items, Item 12: Program

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

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