## **Complaint Procedures for the Work First Program**

## ELIGIBILITY AND BENEFIT LEVEL

If your household did not qualify for Work First or you feel you did not get the correct benefit amount, you may request a hearing by calling or writing the County Department of Social Services.

## STATE COMPLAINT SYSTEM

If you have a complaint concerning a delay in processing your benefit application, additional questions or concerns you may call the DHHS Customer Service Center 1-800-662-7030. TDD/Voice is available for the hearing impaired through the DHHS Customer Service Centef number. The DHHS Customer Service Center office hours are 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday excluding State holidays.

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services handles discrimination complaints about the Work First Program. If you have a complaint about the service you received at the county Work First office, send your complaint to:

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Social Services Attention: Carlotta Dixon Program Compliance Section Equal Employment Opportunity Coordinator Title VI-Civil Rights Coordinator McBryde Building 820 S. Boylan Avenue 2401 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2401 919-527-6335 919-334-1031 (fax number)

## **DISCRIMINATION**

If you feel that you have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability or political beliefs, you may file a written complaint at the following address:

Director Office for Civil Rights U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 509F HHH Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20201 202-619-0403 (voice) or 202-619-3257 (TTY)

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