



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

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President

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Memorandum

To: Selected HRD Coordinators/Directors, CAREER Start Case Managers
From: Robin R. Coates, HRD State Director
Subject: CAREER Start ABAWD Extended Benefits Waiver,
Effective December 1, 2008

In 2006, the US Department of Agriculture approved a waiver request to exempt Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) from the three month time limit in 20 of the 26 CAREER Start counties. The waiver is effective December 1, 2006, through November 30, 2008. This waiver has been extended and affects all Career Start counties.

Per Division of Social Services (DSS) Administrative Letter No. Economic and Family Services 7-2008, Continued and Modified Regional ABAWD Two-Year Waiver (November 13, 2008), an Extended Benefits waiver has been approved by the US Department of Agriculture. To access the DSS administrative letter electronically, please go to:

http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dss/ei-30/adm/EFS_FNS_AL-7-2008.htm#P10_0

Beginning December 1, 2008, the DSS Food and Nutrition Services Employment and Training Program (FNS E&T) will no longer require ABAWDs in selected CAREER Start counties (**Buncombe, Craven, Henderson, New Hanover, Union and Wake**) to adhere to the 20 hour work requirement. Therefore, ABAWDs in all Career Start counties will follow the same waiver guidelines.

If you have questions, please contact your CAREER Start Program coordinator.

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