

FOR YOUR INFORMATION (FYI)

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Abbreviations and acronyms you may find helpful in navigating the DSS system.

AAA	Area Agency on Aging -Located in Regional Councils of Government
ACH	Adult Care Home (also called rest homes, domiciliary homes) Administration on Aging – Washington
APS	Adult Protective Services
CAC	Community Advisory Committee OR Child Advocacy Center
COG	Council of Governments (17 regional offices)
CAFR	Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
CFSR	Child and Family Services Review
CON	Certificate of Need
DAAS	Division of Aging and Adult Services
DHSR	Division of Health Service Regulation
DMA	Division of Medical Assistance -Raleigh
DSS	Department of Social Services -located in each County
DDA	Developmentally Disabled Adults
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
DPH	Division of Public Health
FCH	Family Care Home
GHDDA	Group Home for Developmentally Disabled Adults
IMC	Income Maintenance Caseworker

ICFMR	Intermediate Care Facility for Mentally Retarded
LBL	Local Business Liaison
LTC	Long Term Care
MH/DD/SA	Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Service
NF	Nursing Facility
NHCAC	Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee
NCHCFA	North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association
OAA	Older American's Act
PS	Protective Services (in each DSS, handles cases of abuse, neglect, exploitation)
PRN	Pro Re Nata- as needed
RACA	Regional Advisory Council on Aging (serves in advisory capacity to the Area Agency on Aging)
SIC	Supervisor-in-charge in an adult care home
SA	Special Assistance for Adults Program (funding source for adult care expense)
SCA	Single County Audit
SIS	Services Information System
SSA	Social Security Administration - Washington
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SLTCO	State Long Term Care Ombudsman Sharon Wilder sharon.wilder@dhhs.nc.gov , State Long Term Care Ombudsman Denise Rogers denise.rogers@dhhs.nc.gov , LTC Ombudsman/Elder Rights Specialist
SMFP	State Medical Facilities Plan (includes nursing home bed allotments, written annually by DFS)
