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MEMORANDUM

Alvin W. Keller, Jr. Secretary

TO:

Senior Resident Superior Court Judges, Chief District Court Judges

and District Attorneys

FROM:

Alvin W. Keller, Jr. Column Keller

DATE:

November 22, 2010

RE:

Conversion of the 28-day DART Cherry Residential Program to 90-

day treatment beds for male offenders

In response to stakeholders across the state and in recognition of prevailing best practices regarding effective treatment continuums for substance abuse addictions, the Division of Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency Programs (DACDP) plans to convert the 28-day substance abuse treatment program at its community-based facility DART Cherry in Goldsboro to 90-day treatment beds. The additional time spent in the treatment program allows the participant to take advantage of services that address all major life areas, to internalize new recovery skills gained through interactive education, skill-building exercise repetition and daily living practice within the program community.

In order to facilitate the conversion of the 28-day substance abuse treatment program to a 90-day program, the last intake to the 28-day program will be December 9, 2010. Consequently, effective January 1, 2011, DACDP will transition DART Cherry to all 90-day substance abuse treatment beds.

Your assistance in providing this information to staff within your jurisdiction(s) is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact any one of the following: Martha Sullivan, Quality Assurance Specialist, DACDP, Martha.Sullivan@doc.nc.gov (919) 420-7933 Ext. 314, Felicia McLean, Assistant Director, Division of Community Corrections Felicia.McLean@doc.state.nc.gov (919) 716-3135 or Allison Jourdan, Chief of Programs, Division of Community Corrections Allison.Jourdan@doc.nc.gov (919) 716-3163.



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The Department will continue to strive to promote comprehensive interventions, programs, and services that afford offenders with alcohol and/or drug problems the opportunity to achieve recovery. Through greater collaboration among stakeholders, strengthening treatment of offenders will result in better outcomes.

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