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Dear ABC Quality Provider,

The ABC Quality Rating and Improvement System is committed to a focus on building high quality, comprehensive early care and education programs that provide integrated services. We have revised our *ABC Quality Standards* to include new eligibility criteria, structural quality, and process quality standards to reflect our commitment to this system. As a result, the new ABC Quality System recognizes programs' individualized strengths, allowing programs to set goals for continuous quality improvement. These new revised *ABC Quality Standards* were launched in April 2018. If you have not had an opportunity to review the documents for the new revised *ABC Quality Standards*, please visit our website at <http://scchildcare.org/library/abc-quality-documents.aspx>.

In an effort to support programs' ability to navigate and implement these new revised standards, ABC Quality will present a series of "roadshows" throughout the state. The roadshow is organized to promote program success. Please plan to join us at a site convenient to you to learn more and ask questions about the new revised *ABC Quality Standards*! We recommend that your program administration and/or directors all attend one of these sessions.

Please see the attached schedule of dates, times and locations. Choose a training to attend near you. You will earn 3 training credit hours in Program Administration through the Center for Child Care Career Development (CCCCD). Please contact Sue Gerdes at 803-898-7827 or sue.gerdes@dss.sc.gov to register to attend. Register early as spaces are limited! Thank you for your continued commitment to providing quality care services for children in our state. We look forward to seeing you at the roadshow!

Sincerely,

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