

Social Services Attorneys 2026 Winter Conference
February 19-20, 2026
Live via Zoom
(this will not be recorded)

Thursday, February 19 (4 CLE)

- 9:00 a.m.** **Welcome**
- 9:05 a.m.** **DHHS Update** [1.25 CLE]
Gail Carelli, Assistant General Counsel for Child Welfare & County Operations, NC DHHS
- 10:20 a.m.** **Break**
- 10:30 a.m.** **Paternity** [1.5 CLE]
Sara DePasquale, UNC School of Government
- 12:00 p.m.** **Lunch**
- 12:45 p.m.** **Adult Protective Services** [1.25 CLE]
Meredith Smith, UNC School of Government
- 2:00** **Business Meeting**
- 2:30** **Adjourn**

Friday, February 20 (4.75 CLE)

- 9:00 a.m.** **Ethical Considerations to Legis. Changes in Chapter 7B** [1.0 Ethics CLE]
Jessica M. Arnold, Deputy Counsel North Carolina State Bar
- 10:00** **Break**
- 10:10** **ICWA, Part II** [1.25 CLE]
Hon. Justin Greene, 43rd Judicial District
Angela Lewis, Associate Counsel, E.B.C.I. Office of the Attorney General

- 11:25** **Break**
- 11:35** **Leveraging Legal Tech in the Child Welfare World** [1.0 Tech CLE]
Jay White, Esq. (Represents Cabarrus County DSS)
- 12:35** **Lunch**
- 1:15** **Case Update** [1.5 CLE]
Sara DePasquale, UNC School of Government
- 2:45** **Adjourn**

CLE: 6.75 General
1 Tech
1 Ethics

2026 DSS and County Attorneys Summer Conference: July 23-25, Wrightsville Beach