The table below shows which counties are "partnering counties" for Conflict of Interest (COI) cases, based on which counties border each county.

| | Partnering County | | | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Alexander | Caldwell, Catawba, Iredell | | | | |
| Burke | Caldwell, Catawba, Lincoln | | | | |
| Caldwell | Alexander, Burke, Catawba | | | | |
| Catawba | Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Iredell, | | | | |
| | Lincoln | | | | |
| Iredell | Alexander, Catawba | | | | |
| Lincoln | Burke, Catawba | | | | |

- In assigning a COI, there is a log with an alphabetical rotation. When the home county requests a COI, their next "partnering county" up on the list is assigned. Exception: when there has been a COI on the same family within the last year, then the case will be given the partnering county who previously had the case.
- When Catawba County receives the call from the home county, the following information is needed and should be logged in SharePoint by the Catawba County SWS who is on Intake/On-call at the time:
 - 1. Casehead/primary client
 - 2. Type of case I/A, IH, FC
 - 3. If an I/A case, has the report been screened and if so, the screening decision.
 - 4. Reason for the conflict
- It is not Catawba County's responsibility to determine if the report is a true COI if there is a
 dispute, that needs to be settled between the home county and the partnering county. If it is
 determined it is not a COI, the partnering county is responsible for notifying Catawba County
 so the log can be updated.
- If a report has not been screened, a placeholder will be placed on the log and it is the responsibility of the **partnering county** to let Catawba County know whether the report was screened in or out.
- When a report is screened out, that does not count as a COI rotation for the partnering county. It will be kept on the log, but will not be counted an assignment in the rotation. Only accepted reports count toward the rotation.
- If a county refuses a conflict, that will be noted on the log and it will not be counted an assignment in the rotation.
- The COI Information Sheet should be completed and sent to the partnering county with the report/record.

| COI re: Foster children | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| | Home is Located | | | COI Y or N | County to Conduct AX | Screening County | | |
| Foster Child's Placement | Alleged Perpetrator is | Your County | Other County | | | | | |
| In Licensed Foster Home or Group Home or Kinship | Person in the placement's home | X | | Y | Receiving County | Receiving County | | |
| In Licensed Foster Home or Group Home or Kinship | Person in the placement's home | | x | N | County where Plcmt is located | County taking report | | |
| In Licensed Foster Home or Group Home or Kinship | Person in the original removal home | | | N | Resident County of the Alleged Perpetrator | County taking report | | |
| Trial Home Placement | Person in the Trial Home Placement | Х | | Y | Receiving County | Receiving County | | |
| Trial Home Placement | Person in the Trail Home Placement | | x | N | County were home is located | County were home is located | | |
| - | he County where home is ne of the bordering countient | | | | | | | |
| If a foster child is a pare | nt of another child in care | - all reports involvi | ng the foste | r child's chi | ld should be con | flicted out. | | |

How to Notify Catawba County

During business hours: Call or email XXX

Nights/Weekends/Holidays: Call XXX and ask for the CPS SW on-call