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TRIAL PERIOD OF EXTENDED DSS HOURS ENDS

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Department of Social Services will end on Friday, September 29, 2006 the trial period of extended operating hours that began in April. Normal operating hours – 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – will resume on Monday, October 2, 2006.

The trial that extended hours of some office operations including food stamp, Medicaid and emergency assistance as well as temporary assistance to the needy, to 6 p.m. from April to September has been evaluated. Utilization during the trial period does not warrant continuation of the trial project.

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