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## **Child Support Receives State Awards**

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Child Support Department received two awards at the recent North Carolina Child Support Conference. The awards were for fiscal 2010 when the office was still state administered.

**George Shepherd**, Child Support Supervisor I, accepted an outstanding performance award on behalf of the child support enforcement office for exceeding its collection goal by 3.37 percent and earning fourth place in the state for increased collections for fiscal year 2009-2010.

Child Support Director **Harry Austin Keating III**, who previously served as the program manager of Cumberland and Harnett Child Support Enforcement, also received an outstanding performance award for leading his area in exceeding the collection goal for fiscal year 2009-2010.

For fiscal 2010, Cumberland had a total collection goal of \$35,772,907 and collected \$36,978,810, which is 103.37 percent of the goal. Cumberland County, with 24,495 active cases, had the highest percent of increase for any of the larger child support offices.