

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

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March 14, 2005

CSS LETTER: 05-08

ALL IV-D DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS

SUBJECT: REVISED FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL GUIDELINES FOR
COMPROMISE OF ASSIGNED ARREARAGES - FAMILY
REUNIFICATION

This letter is to advise local child support agencies (LCSAs) of the revised Federal Poverty Level Guidelines (FPLG). The latest revision of the FPLG was published in the Federal Register, Vol. 70, No. 33, on February 18, 2005. These new amounts became effective February 18, 2005, and must be used when determining eligibility for compromise of assigned arrearages – family reunification (also known as AB 1449, Compromise). This notice is not applicable to the Compromise of Arrears Program (COAP) or Interim-COAP.

Any case denied as of February 18, 2005, and any other cases pending denial should be re-evaluated using the new guidelines. A copy of the new figures for comparing income to the FPLG is attached.

Section 119191(e)(3), Chapter 9, of Division 13 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations requires the use of the current poverty level guidelines for determining eligibility for a compromise. The FPLG is published in the Federal Register annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). LCSAs may find the revised guidelines by checking the following HHS website:

<http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/>

Reason for this Transmittal

- State Law or Regulation Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order or Settlement Change
- Clarification requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by DCSS

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Tonya Crawford-Comage, Manager of the Financial Management Policy Unit, at (916) 464-5234.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra Poole". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "S".

SANDRA O. POOLE
Deputy Director
Child Support Services Division

Attachment

250% and 300 % of the Federal Poverty Level

%	Family of 2	Family of 3	Family of 4	Family of 5	Family of 6	Family of 7	Family of 8 *
250	32,075	40,225	48,375	56,525	64,675	72,825	80,975

* For each additional family member beyond 8, add \$8,150.00.

%	Family of 2	Family of 3	Family of 4	Family of 5	Family of 6	Family of 7	Family of 8 **
300	38,490	48,270	58,050	67,830	77,610	87,390	97,170

** For each additional family member beyond 8, add \$9,780.00.

(Federal Poverty Level Published in the Federal Register, Vol. 70, No. 33, February 18, 2005, pp. 8373-8375)