

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

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LCSA LETTER NO. 00-07

TO: ALL IV-D DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: IV-A/IV-D INTERFACE QUESTIONNAIRE

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

The Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 11454.5 provides an exemption from the 60-month "lifetime" time limit for aid recipients when the amount of aid paid to the recipient for the month is fully reimbursed by child support. The exemption applies whether child support was collected in that month or any subsequent month. For each month of aid that is reimbursed, the family will be eligible for an additional month of aid. This time limit became effective January 1, 1998.

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS), CalWORKs Eligibility Branch has questioned the possibility of IV-D Agencies providing the required collection and distribution information to the IV-A Agencies. The Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) informed CDSS that this reporting relationship is a federal requirement and a monthly process is currently in place for meeting this requirement. CDSS was unaware that the information is being collected and passed on to the IV-A Agencies on a regular basis currently. CDSS requested that DCSS provide a list, by county, of what collection and distribution information is passed to IV-A Agencies, how often, who receives it, and in what format (electronic or paper) the information is sent to the IV-A Agency.

Please complete the attached questionnaire and return to DCSS, who in turn will provide the information to the CDSS. Information regarding your current IV-A/IV-D interface is required in Part I. Part II is required to be completed only if your county is currently not on one of the consortia systems and will not be converted to a consortia system by December 1, 2000.

Please return the completed questionnaire to Cindi Pcoroba at mail station (M/S) 30, no later than November 27, 2000.

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Cindi Pocoroba at (916) 464-5235 or Gay Schimeck at (916) 464-5239.

Sincerely,

CAROLE A. HOOD
Chief Deputy Director

Enclosure

I. CURRENT IV-A/IV-D INTERFACE

1. Provide the type of information (e.g. DA file number, case name, IV-A number, total amount of monthly child support payment received, distribution of monthly child support payment, etc.) currently reported to IV-A:

2. Frequency that this information is sent to IV-A:

3. Department/Division where the information is sent within the IV-A Agency (e.g. Accounting Section of IV-A):

4. Name, phone number, FAX and email address of the IV-A contact where the information is sent:

5. Indicate the format used to send the information to IV-A:

Electronic Paper

- a. If paper, what is the report name?

- b. If electronic, what is the name of the file?

6. Name, phone number, FAX and email address of the IV-D contact that can respond to questions regarding the current IV-A/IV-D interface:

II. FUTURE IV-A/IV-D INTERFACE (for counties not currently on a consortia system)

1. Provide the type of information (e.g. DA file number, case name, IV -A number, total amount of monthly child support payment received, distribution of monthly child support payment, etc.) reported to IV -A after your moved to the consortia system:

2. Anticipated frequency the information will be sent to IV -A:

3. Department/Division where the information will be sent in IV -A (e.g. Accounting Section of IV -A):

4. Name, phone number, FAX, and email address of IV -A contact where information will be sent:

5. Anticipated format the information will be sent to IV -A:

- Electronic Paper

- a. If paper, what will the report name be?

- b. If electronically, what will the name of the file be?

6. Name, phone number, FAX and email address of contact at IV -D that can respond to questions regarding the consortia system IV -A/IV -D interface.
