

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

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December 13, 2005

LCSA LETTER: 05-25

ALL IV-D DIRECTORS

**SUBJECT: JUDICIAL COUNCILS REVIEW OF THE STATEWIDE UNIFORM
CHILD SUPPORT GUIDELINE**

At the request of the Judicial Council (JC), the California Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) is transmitting to all directors of local child support agencies (LCSAs), information regarding the 2005 draft report of the JC's review of the Statewide Uniform Child Support Guideline. The JC is asking that all comments be received by 5:00 pm, December 23, 2005. In addition to seeking these comments, the JC is also requesting that the LCSA's make the attached flyer available in each LCSA office so that customers, both custodial and non-custodial parents, are informed of their opportunity to comment. The report, as well as the form for making comments, is available on the web. The attached notice provides the web address for accessing the report and the form for making comments.

The DCSS is forwarding this information to you on behalf of the JC. If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact Marsha Devine with the Judicial Council at (916) 263-1472 or CFCC@jud.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

s/SANDRA O. POOLE

SANDRA O. POOLE
Deputy Director
Child Support Services Division

cc: Outreach Coordinators

Attachments

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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MEMORANDUM

Date

December 9, 2005

Action Requested

For your review and comment

To

IV-D Directors

Deadline

5:00 p.m. on December 23, 2005

From

Michael L. Wright, Supervising Attorney
Marsha Devine, Senior Research Analyst
Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Subject

2005 Review of Statewide Uniform Child
Support Guideline

As you know, in accordance with federal and state law, the Judicial Council reviews the statewide uniform child support guideline every four years. The DRAFT 2005 Review of California's Statewide Uniform Child Support Guideline is now available on the Judicial Council of California's web site for public review and comment at <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/cfcc> (*click on Programs to find information on Child Support Program –AB 1058 with the link to the draft report*).

The 2005 draft review includes tentative recommendations to the California Legislature for possible revisions to the Guideline with regard to the following issues:

- Treatment of support orders among low-income families.
- Treatment of the child's share of the health insurance premium.
- Application of the hardship deduction.

Attached is a flyer announcing the availability of the draft report for comment with instructions on how to access the report on the Judicial Council web site. Please make copies of the flyer and place them in your waiting area, so that any interested customers (both custodial parents and

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noncustodial parents) can take a copy and be informed of the availability of the draft report for comment.

We would greatly appreciate your taking the time to read this draft report and send us your comments on it, especially with regard to the recommendations. A comment form is available at the web site provided or you may forward your comments by U.S. mail or e-mail to the address below. Please focus your comments on the recommendations and other substantive issues, rather than punctuation or grammatical style. All comments received will be reviewed and analyzed by Judicial Council staff and forwarded to the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee of the Judicial Council for its review. Once it is finalized, this review will be forwarded by the Judicial Council to the California Legislature.

Please forward your comments by U.S. mail or e-mail to:

Address: CFCC AB 1058 Child Support Program
Judicial Council of California
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102

E-mail: CFCC@jud.ca.gov

Web Site: <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/cfcc>

(click on Programs to find information on Child Support Project-AB1058 with the link to the DRAFT 2005 Review of California's Statewide Uniform Child Support Guideline)

Your comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on December 23, 2005, in order to be considered. You may either use the enclosed comment form or write, fax, or e-mail a letter.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration in reviewing this report. Hard copies of the draft report can be provided upon request.

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