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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

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INCENTIVE PAYMENTS FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE

I am pleased to announce the local child support agencies who have qualified for additional incentives as authorized under Family Code Section 17706. The qualifying counties are: Alameda, Amador, Colusa, El Dorado, Humboldt, Mariposa, Plumas, San Luis Obispo, Sierra, and Sonoma. The period used to evaluate county performance was federal fiscal year 2000. The funding appropriated for this purpose will be distributed among these counties in October 2001.

Section 17706 authorizes additional incentives for the 10 counties with the highest performance on the performance measures. The statute authorizes a payment of an additional five percent of the State's share of the county's collections that are used to recoup CalWORKS funding. The federal performance measures were used to rank all counties, with the exception of cost-effectiveness. Cost-effectiveness was excluded at this time as a measure because of the lack of consistency and compatibility in baseline amounts among counties.

I want to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of these counties and congratulate them on their performance. As we recognize these counties this year, I know that all of you are dedicated to providing excellent service for children and families. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact me at (916) 464-5300 or Linda Patterson at (916) 464-5035.

Sincerely,

CURTIS L. CHILD
Director

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