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## State Halts Implementation of Overtime for In-Home Supportive Services

Judge's Ruling Vacates Federal Regulations

Sacramento – Following a Federal Judge's ruling invalidating regulations adopted in 2013 by the U.S. Department of Labor, California Department of Social Services Director Will Lightbourne announced today a halt to the implementation of changes related to overtime, travel, and wait time pay for providers in the In-Home Supportive Services program.

"In view of the fact the Federal requirements relating to overtime payments have been vacated by the court, California will retain the program structure that existed before the Department of Labor issued the rule," said California Department of Social Services' Director Will Lightbourne. "This means recipients of services will continue to receive all of the monthly hours they have been authorized, and will continue to receive their services from their provider of choice."

All In-Home Supportive Services providers will continue to be paid straight-time at the locally bargained hourly wage, in the same manner in which hours were reported and providers were paid in 2014.

In-Home Supportive Services is a federal/state health and social service program that provides personal care and domestic services for eligible individuals who are aged, blind, or disabled so they may remain safely in their homes. The In-Home Supportive Services Program is available in all 58 counties, has been in operation for nearly 40 years and is the largest program of its kind in the United States.

The In-Home Supportive Services program has more than 400,000 care providers serving the full caseload of 490,000 recipients.

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