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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS) PROGRAM MANAGERS

SUBJECT: RELEASE OF IHSS INFORMATIONAL VIDEO: IHSS PROGRAM SERVICES AND ASSESSMENT.

REFERENCES: SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (SSA) §1915(k); WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE (WIC) §14132.956; ALL-COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 12-24, DATED MAY 9, 2012

The purpose of this All-County Information Notice (ACIN) is to provide counties with information regarding the release of a new IHSS informational video, *IHSS Services and Assessment*. This video illustrates the various IHSS program services, including the assessment and authorization process, and is a continuation of the IHSS Recipient Education materials required by the Community First Choice Option.

BACKGROUND

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-148), enacted March 23, 2010, established a new State Plan Option entitled the Community First Choice Option (CFCO), which allows for the provision of home and community-based attendant services and supports. One of the required CFCO services is voluntary recipient education, which includes information for recipients on how to manage their care providers. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS), in collaboration with stakeholders, has developed a total of five recipient educational videos.

IHSS SERVICES AND ASSESSMENT VIDEO

CDSS, in collaboration with stakeholders, developed this new informational video to provide a detailed overview of the IHSS program structure and to inform potential consumers and providers of the services available within the IHSS program. Additionally, this video includes information on the various components of the IHSS assessment process.

Effective January 14, 2014, *The IHSS Services and Assessment Video* will be available on the CDSS website at the following link:

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/agedblinddisabled/PG3154.htm>. Additionally, California State University, Sacramento, will distribute an initial DVD to each county/Public Authority.

TRANSLATION OF THE VIDEO

This video will be available in the State threshold languages for the IHSS population: Spanish, Armenian, and Chinese, as required by the Government Code §7295.2. The video also includes closed-captioning for the hearing impaired. The video translations will be available on the CDSS website in May 2014 and distributed to the counties thereafter.

If you have any questions regarding the content in this letter, please contact the Training and Development Unit at IHSS-Training@dss.ca.gov or at (916) 651-3494.

Sincerely,

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