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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES

PROGRAM MANAGERS

ALL CHILD PROBATION OFFICERS

RE: PUBLICATION 129: CHILD ABUSE & YOU

In an ongoing effort to increase public awareness about child abuse issues, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has updated and redesigned our Publication 129, entitled Child Abuse and You. It includes many questions and answers related to child abuse and covers a wide variety of issues. This publication will be especially helpful to social workers and others who are asked questions about child abuse.

The following are samples of some of the questions included in this publication:

- "In cases of domestic violence when there is a child in the home, is it reportable as child abuse?"
- "I use drugs, which is my choice, and am still a good parent. How do I get my kids back? Don't I have rights as a parent?"
- "I have a question regarding an uncle of my grandchildren, who is a registered sex offender. Is he allowed to be around my grandchildren?"

Electronic versions of Publication 129 Child Abuse and You are accessible and may be printed from the following internet address: http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/pdf/PUB129.pdf. Printed copies are not available at this time.

If you have questions about the PUB 129 materials, please contact CDSS, Office of Child Abuse Prevention at (916) 651-6960.

Sincerely,

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