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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I- 65-84

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: INVALID BIRTH CERTIFICATES

REFERENCE:

The State recently received the attached information from the Social Security Administration's Office of Family Assistance (OFA) warning of an increased probability that invalid birth certificates will be presented to public agencies.

MPP 42-111, Evidence of Age, provides that determination of a child's age shall be based on acceptable evidence which the county determines to be substantive and genuine. First among the many acceptable kinds of evidence listed in this section of the manual are birth certificate and birth record. Extra care should now be taken in determining that this type of evidence is both substantive and genuine, in view of the increased likelihood that invalid evidence will be presented.

If you have any questions, please call the AFDC Policy Implementation Bureau at (916) 322-5330,

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Attachment

cc: CWDA