

STATE OF CALIFORNIA—HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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September 19, 2013

ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 13-77

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL LICENSED ADOPTION AGENCIES

ALL CDSS ADOPTIONS DISTRICT OFFICES

ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY PLACEMENT SUPERVISORS

ALL ADOPTION FACILITATORS

ALL TITLE IV-E AGREEMENT TRIBES

CHILD WELFARE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

SUBJECT: REVISION TO THE "SUPPLEMENT TO THE RATE REQUESTS

FOR DUAL AGENCY AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN-FOSTER CARE (AFDC-FC) AND ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (AAP) CHILDREN QUARTERLY

STATISTICAL REPORT" [FC-AAP 84 (1/09)]

REFERENCE: SENATE BILL (SB) 84, (CHAPTER 177, STATUTES OF 2007);

ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 12, (CHAPTER 559, STATUTES OF 2010);

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE (W&IC)

SECTIONS 11464(h)(1) - 11464(h)(2)(A) AND 11464(h)(2)(C) - (G);

ACLS 08-17, ACL 08-54, AND 09-17,

The purpose of this ACL is to notify counties and the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Adoptions District Offices that CDSS is revising the FC-AAP 84, "Supplement to the Rate Requests for Dual Agency AFDC-FC and AAP Children Quarterly Statistical Report" to include the federal and non-federal Kinship-Guardianship Assistance Payment (Kin-GAP) populations.

The W&IC section 11464 establishes rates for children who receive AFDC-FC or AAP and also receive services from a California regional center due to a developmental disability, as defined by the Lanterman Act, or who are receiving services under the California Early Intervention Services Act (CEISA). The established rates are referred to as "dual agency rates" and the eligible population as "dual agency children".

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Revisions to W&IC section 11464, through the enactment of AB 12 extends the receipt of these rates to children receiving Kin-GAP benefits who are also receiving services from a California Regional Center or under the CEISA.

A supplement to the dual agency rate established pursuant to W&IC section 11464(c)(2) may be provided to a child who is three years of age or older who is also receiving AFDC-FC, AAP, or Kin-GAP benefits when the child's care and supervision needs are so extraordinary that they cannot be addressed by the rate established pursuant to W&IC section 11464(c)(1) for a child with a developmental disability. Pursuant to W&IC section 11464(h), CDSS is required to collect specific data related to the supplement to the dual agency rate for the AFDC-FC, AAP, and Kin-GAP dual agency populations.

County welfare departments and CDSS Adoption District Offices use the current FC-AAP 84 report to capture the number and level of supplements to the dual agency rate requested, the number of supplements authorized upon request, and the number of supplements denied upon request but authorized after an appeal for AFDC-FC and AAP dual agency populations. The FC-AAP 84 report is being revised so counties can submit the same data for the Kin-GAP dual agency population.

The revised FC-AAP 84 will be available in January 2014. County welfare departments and CDSS Adoption District Offices will continue to submit the supplement to the dual agency rate information for the AFDC-FC and AAP populations. Counties will also begin reporting supplement to the dual agency rate information for the Kin-GAP population in the first quarter of 2014 retroactive to October 1, 2013, and for all subsequent reporting periods.

If you have any questions regarding revisions to the FC-AAP 84 report, please contact the Data Systems and Survey Design Bureau at (916) 651-8269 or the Foster Care Rates Policy Unit at (916) 651-9152.

Sincerely,

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