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February 21, 1985

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 85-27

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: REVISED ELDER ABUSE/DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT
FORM SOC 340 (1/85)
REFERENCE: ACL 84-24 (February 14, 1984)

Effective January 1, 1985, Form SOC 340, "Elder Abuse/Dependent Adult Abuse Monthly Statistical Report" is being revised to incorporate a suggestion from the County Welfare Director's Association (see attached letter). The revision adds an additional line for types of abuse other than those provided for in the legislation requiring elder abuse/dependent adult abuse reporting. The legislative requirements remain in effect unless and until they are amended or repealed pursuant to Chapter 1273, Statutes of 1983 (SB 1210).

The revised SOC 340 will collect reports of Elder Abuse and Dependent Adult Abuse as defined in ACL 84-24, and an additional line, "Other APS Cases", will collect all other reports of elder or dependent adult abuse not included in the first two categories.

Please note that Section 9380 of the Welfare and Institutions Code defines elder abuse as: physical abuse, fiduciary abuse, neglect and abandonment. Section 15610 defines dependent adult abuse as: physical abuse, mental suffering, neglect and abandonment. Therefore, all other reports of abuse that do not fall under these two categories should be counted as "Other APS Cases", in accordance with the types of abuse as defined in DSS Manual, Division 30, Sections 800, 802 and 810.

A copy of the revised report form is attached. For the January and February reports, counties are requested to report on photocopies of the form accompanying these instructions. A supply of these forms will be available in March 1985, and may be ordered in the usual manner.

If you have any questions regarding this reporting, please telephone Kip Steely at (916) 323-2330 or (ATSS) 473-2330.



ROBERT T. SERTICH
Deputy Director
Administration

Attachment

cc: CWDA



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TO: All County Welfare Directors
FROM: Lee D. Kemper, Executive Secretary
RE: Elder and Adult Abuse Reporting and Protective Services to Adults

Under the provisions of SB 1210 and AB 1805, County Welfare Departments are required to submit reports each month to the State Department of Social Services concerning the number of reports received by the county on specified types of elder and dependent adult abuse.

However, counties have found that not all types of elder and adult abuse are included within the categories under SB 1210 and AB 1805 and are therefore not reported. For example, self-neglect and incompetence are not reported. The result is that some counties have noted a significant disparity between the number of reports of elder and dependent adult abuse and the total number of adult protective service referrals in a given month.

Upon the recommendation of the Social Services Committee, the Executive Committee, by action taken October 15, 1984, recommends that counties report the total number of Adult Protective Service referrals received in addition to those mandated by current reporting laws. This additional information will provide the Department and the Legislature with a more accurate picture of the scope of protective services to adults in California -- a scope broader than that specified under current reporting laws.

To include this information on the SOC-340 reporting form, a separate line titled "All Other APS Referrals" should be drawn immediately below the Case Counts line and the appropriate figure should be entered. The types of referrals which should be included under this category can be derived from the Services Regulations, Sections 30-802 and 31-810, which are attached.

Enclosure

cc: Linda, McMahon, Director
Department of Social Services

ELDER ABUSE/DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

Send one copy to:

Department of Social Services
Statistical Services Branch
744 P Street, Mail Station 12-81
Sacramento, California 95814

COUNTY	1	
MONTH	YEAR	2

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