

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 93-85

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
 ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
 ALL COUNTY AUDITOR CONTROLLERS
 ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AFDC-FC FIVE PERCENT SPECIALIZED CARE AUGMENTATION

REFERENCE: Senate Bill (SB) 35 (Chapter 69, Statutes of 1993) and SB 370 (Chapter 1294, Statutes of 1989)

The purpose of this letter is to provide instructions for the implementation of the Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) five percent specialized care augmentation provided in the Fiscal Year (FY) 1993-94 State Budget and the accompanying legislation, SB 35 (Chapter 69, Statutes of 1993). This augmentation was initially provided in SB 370 (Chapter 1294, Statutes of 1989), however, the accompanying legislation for the FY 1991-92 and 1992-93 State Budget delayed implementation.

This augmentation will provide an additional \$4.379 million to the counties as incentives and assistance specifically for the AFDC-FC specialized care program. For programmatic, allocation and claiming purposes this program will be referred to as the Specialized Care Incentives and Assistance Program (SCIAP). Detailed program and claiming instructions and allocation methodology are addressed below.

SPECIALIZED CARE INCENTIVES AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Pursuant to Section 11461(e)(4)(B) of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC), the SCIAP is effective July 1, 1993 through June 30, 1994. Expenditure of these program funds must occur in FY 1993-94 and is limited to the purchase of goods and services for the direct benefit of AFDC-FC special needs children placed in foster family homes, including the home of a relative or nonrelated legal guardian, and nontreatment foster family agencies. Special needs children who are eligible to the State-only AFDC-FC program, except for their placement with a relative, are also entitled to these funds. Special needs children are those who require additional care and supervision due to health and/or behavioral problems.

The use of SCIAP funds are limited to:

RESPIRE CARE: The purchase of respite care services and/or the development and maintenance of a respite care program.

DIRECT COSTS: The purchase of goods or services on a nonrecurring or as needed basis which are not allowable costs in California's Specialized Care System or are not available through other funding sources. These items and services may include, but are not limited to, wheelchair ramps, apnea monitors, glasses, psychiatric visits, orthodontia, and equipment and/or activities which will stimulate the child's physical and/or emotional growth.

ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY

The SCIAP allocation to be distributed between all 58 counties is \$4,379,000. Each county's proportionate share is based on the total AFDC-FC foster family home (including relatives and nonrelated legal guardians) and foster family agency certified home population for FY 1992-93 as reported in the CA 237-FC. The allocation was adjusted to assure that each county would receive a minimum of \$1,000. A list of the county allocations is attached.

FISCAL CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS

Effective with the September 1993 quarter, Program 100, SCIAP, has been added. These expenditures will be charged against the county's allocation and will be funded with 100 percent State General Funds. The following Program Identifier Numbers (PINS) have been established to capture the costs associated with this new program:

PIN 100050 Respite Care

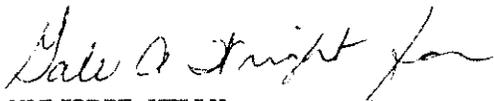
PIN 100068 Direct Costs (as defined above)

If you have any questions regarding implementation of the SCIAP, please contact the appropriate staff for response.

PROGRAM: Ms. Karen Godfrey, (916) 322-9202, Foster Care Policy Bureau.

ALLOCATION: Ms. Cindy Gong, (916) 654-0865, County Administrative Expense Control Bureau.

CLAIMING: Ms. JoAnn Cooper, (916) 657-3293, Fiscal Policy and Procedures Bureau.



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Attachment

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SCIAP ALLOCATIONFFH Total
Children
FY 92-93Allocation
4,379,000

Counties

Alameda	33,025	249,201
Alpine	211	1,592
Amador	138	1,041
Butte	2,980	22,487
Calaveras	523	3,946
Colusa	87	1,000
Contra Costa	19,951	150,547
Del Norte	617	4,656
El Dorado	1,052	7,938
Fresno	13,969	105,408
Glenn	475	3,584
Humboldt	2,949	22,253
Imperial	1,890	14,262
Inyo	186	1,404
Kern	15,366	115,949
Kings	2,489	18,782
Lake	1,406	10,609
Lassen	316	2,384
Los Angeles	229,157	1,729,183
Madera	1,435	10,828
Marin	1,838	13,869
Mariposa	223	1,683
Mendocino	1,979	14,933
Merced	3,366	25,399
Modoc	266	2,007
Mono	210	1,585
Monterey	1,979	14,933
Napa	1,522	11,485
Nevada	558	4,211
Orange	14,903	112,456
Placer	1,329	10,028
Plumas	76	1,000
Riverside	19,718	148,789
Sacramento	24,211	182,692
San Benito	222	1,675
San Bernardino	30,456	229,816
San Diego	47,724	360,118
San Francisco	23,979	180,942
San Joaquin	13,957	105,317
San Luis Obispo	2,503	18,887
San Mateo	6,092	45,969
Santa Barbara	3,933	29,678
Santa Clara	15,334	115,708
Santa Cruz	2,363	17,831
Shasta	2,916	22,004
Sierra	54	1,000
Siskiyou	426	3,215
Solano	4,629	34,930
Sonoma	2,197	16,578
Stanislaus	4,701	35,473
Sutter	867	6,542
Tehama	1,270	9,583
Trinity	266	2,007
Tulare	8,131	61,355
Tuolumne	554	4,180
Ventura	4,370	32,975
Yolo	1,575	11,885
Yuba	1,220	9,206
Total	580,139	4,379,000