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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO.: I-26-15

TO: ALL COUNTY IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE
SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGERS

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMING OF MEDI-CAL FEDERAL FINANCIAL
PARTICIPATION FOR FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS AND PROGRAM
INTEGRITY EFFORTS RELATED TO THE IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE
SERVICES PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16

REFERENCE: COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) 11/12-40

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

The purpose of this All County Information Notice is to inform counties that, for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16, California Department of Social Services (CDSS) will permit counties to administratively claim Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for allowable county expenditures related to In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) fraud investigations, anti-fraud measures and program integrity efforts.

CDSS approval is required before counties may submit a claim against Program Codes (PCs) 740 and 741 as referenced in County Fiscal Letter (CFL) NO.11/12-40. Counties wishing to administratively claim FFP must submit the following documents to CDSS:

- A *new* IHSS Anti-Fraud Plan for FY 2015-16 as outlined below; **AND**
- Your county's Annual IHSS Fraud Prevention Budget for FY 2015-16.

Please note that your county's FY 2015-16 IHSS anti-fraud plan must, at a minimum, include the following information:

- A description of your county's current and proposed IHSS fraud detection and prevention activities;
- A timeline for your county's proposed IHSS anti-fraud activities;
- A description of how your county will identify overpayments and underpayments, including a plan to reduce the occurrence of each; and
- The details of your county's procedures for forwarding cases of confirmed IHSS fraud to the district attorney's office for prosecution.

Any county seeking to participate must submit its proposed IHSS anti-fraud plan and budget package to CDSS no later than **June 15, 2015**. Counties that are unable to meet the due date must request an extension **prior** to that date. Attached please find a sample budget justification form for your convenience. Please email completed packages to: ihss-pi@dss.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact CDSS Adult Programs Division, Policy & Quality Assurance Branch, Program integrity Unit at (916) 651-3494 or ihss-pi@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

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Enclosure

c: County District Attorneys

The form originally included with this letter is outdated and has been removed. To access more current resources, please visit the [IHSS Program Integrity and Fraud Prevention Website](#).