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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-28-10

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY SPECIAL INVESTIGATORS

SUBJECT: WELFARE FRAUD AND ABUSE POSTER (PUB109)

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 letter is to inform counties that the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has updated the Welfare Fraud and Abuse Poster (PUB 109) and to request that counties prominently display it in their county offices.

The poster provides information on CDSS' Welfare Fraud Hotline and encourages the public to report suspected welfare fraud or abuse. CDSS refers the leads received from the Hotline to the appropriate county, state, or federal agency for investigation.

To help promote program integrity and ensure that only eligible individuals and families are receiving public assistance benefits, we request that counties display the poster in a prominent location where it can be easily viewed by the public, such as waiting areas and other areas frequented by the public. Curbing welfare fraud and abuse is even more critical in this fiscal environment when resources are very limited.

The poster is available in English and Spanish in the 11"x17" format and can be printed off the CDSS website at <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/PG183.htm>. The poster is two sided, and the county has the option to print out either side. Oneside includes a space for counties to include their local fraud reporting phone number, while the other side only lists the Welfare Fraud Hotline phone number. If your county needs posters in other languages, please contact Nicole Lopes-Gravely, Policy Analyst, at 916-263-5706.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

YVONNE LEE, Chief
Program Integrity Branch

Attachment

Welfare Fraud is a Crime!

Welfare Fraud & Abuse

Do You Know Someone On Welfare Who:

- Is working and not reporting income?
- Has an unreported person in the home?
- Has unreported bank accounts or other assets?
- Is receiving welfare for a person who is not living in the home?
- Is receiving welfare from more than one county or state at the same time?

If so, call the

WELFARE FRAUD HOTLINE

1-800-344-8477

CALLERS CAN REMAIN ANONYMOUS

Callers will be provided with contact information for the appropriate county.



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or

contact the county directly by calling the number below

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