

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-33-05

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL CalWORKs PROGRAM SPECIALISTS
CAL-LEARN PROGRAM COORDINATORS
CAL-LEARN CASE MANAGEMENT AGENCIES
ALL CONSORTIA MANAGERS

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF FRY v. SAENZ COURT ORDER IN CalWORKs;
CHANGES TO THE AGE REGULATIONS FOR 18-YEAR-OLDS

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) 04-50 AND ACL 04-33

This letter transmits the amended CalWORKs regulations in the Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section 42-101 regarding 18-year-olds. The attached regulation package was filed on an emergency basis to comply with the Fry v. Saenz court order and was effective April 22, 2005. These changes establish in regulations the requirements set forth in ACL 04-33 (August 27, 2004) and 04-50 (November 18, 2004).

Prior to the court order, 18-year-olds who were attending school full-time and were not expected to graduate before age 19 were ineligible for cash aid (regardless of the reason for the delay in graduation). If that child was the only eligible child in the assistance unit, this would render the assistance unit ineligible for CalWORKs. The new rules specify that an otherwise CalWORKs eligible 18-year-old who attends school full-time and is considered to have a disability under the standards specified in regulation shall continue to be eligible for benefits until he/she graduates, turns 19, or stops attending school full-time, whichever occurs first.

Camera Ready Copies and Translations

The QR 2103 form, "Reminder for Teens Turning 18 Years Old", has been revised to reflect these amended CalWORKs regulations as well as the finger imaging requirements regarding 18 year-olds. If your office has internet access, you may obtain copies of the English forms from the CDSS webpage at: http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb/OnlineFor_271.htm. For questions on the English forms, please call Forms Management Unit at (916) 657-1907.

For copies of forms in other languages, including Spanish forms, you may go to the CDSS Web page at: http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb/FormsandPu_274.htm. Translated materials are posted on an ongoing basis as soon as they are completed. For questions on translated materials, please contact Language Services at (916) 445-6778.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the attached regulations, please contact your CalWORKs county consultant.

Sincerely,

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Welfare to Work Division

c: CWDA
CSAC

Attachments