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SUBJECT: The Eligibility Worker Handbook on the Prevention and Detection of Welfare Fraud

Attached is a copy of the new Eligibility Worker Handbook on the Prevention and Detection of Welfar Fraud which has been updated to reflect changes in fraud program policies and regulations.

This handbook, first published in December, 1979, was developed by the state Oepartnent of Social Services (SDSS), Fraud Bureau. It is designed to serve as a reference nanual for county eligibility workers and to provide the resource naterial needed to conduct required induction and annual refresher training to eligibility staff in the area of welfare fraud.

In addition to covering the legal concepts and tenninology associated with welfare fraud, this handbook also reviews the coom:>n casework methods of fraud prevention and detection. In addition, it provides an overview of the entire fraud process, including the fundamentals of referral, investigation, civil/criminal action, and courtrOOOI demeanor.

If county staff needs assistance in planning fraud training sessions for eligibility workers, based on the principles outlined $i\,n$ this handbook, they should contact the SDSS, Fraud Bureau.

All requests for additional copies of this handbook as well as any comments or suggestions should be directed to:

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