

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-14-95

ID: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

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: Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program

REFERENCE: All County letter 91-79

This letter is to clarify those situations when referrals to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/DP) are allowable for 100 percent state and federal funds.

The EFP/DP as established under Welfare and Institutions Code (W&IC), sections 11055.5 and 18902.5, provides for 100 percent state and federal funding for county early fraud programs when the county submits an operating plan for this activity and it has been approved by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS).

Recently some questions have arisen concerning what situations can be referred to an approved county EFP/DP. The law provides for the availability of this service at the 100 percent rate when there is an application for Aid to Families with Dependent Children and/or Food Stamps benefits. The following constitute an application for the purpose of EFP/DP referrals.

1. Initial applications such as a CA-2, JA-2, SAWS-2.
2. Redeterminations, annual or otherwise periodic, per W&IC section 11265.
3. Re-applications.
4. Inter-county transfers.
5. Applications for special needs under W&IC section 11450, such as Special Diets or Homeless Assistance, etc.
6. Applications to add a member to the household or assistance unit.

I hope the above adequately clarifies the issue. If you need more information, please contact Rick Tibbetts of the CDSS Fraud Bureau at (916) 445-0031.

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