

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814

August 14, 2000



ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 00-55

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL CHILD CARE COORDINATORSREASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

SUBJECT: FORMER CalWORKs RECIPIENTS WHOSE CHILDREN ARE
TIMING OUT OF STAGE ONE CHILDCAREREFERENCE: ACL 99-63, DATED SEPT. 7, 1999, PUBLICATION OF
CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO
KIDS (CalWORKs) CHILD CARE REGULATIONS

Attached for your action is the "Timing Out Questionnaire – Stage One CalWORKs Child Care." This questionnaire will collect information on the number of children and families currently in Stage One Child Care who have reached or who will reach the end of the 24-month limit of child care services for which former CalWORKs recipients are eligible. This questionnaire covers the period of January 2000 through June 2002. The data being collected in this questionnaire is **only** for Stage One families and children who are former recipients.

Current regulations provide that families who are unable to transition to Stage Two child care can remain in Stage One child care when the family becomes stable or as former recipients. Therefore, some children of former recipients have not transferred to Stage Two child care and have remained in Stage One after their family has left cash assistance. To continue to receive child care services following their 24-months of eligibility after leaving cash aid, the family must transfer to Stage Three.

To assure adequate funding for Stage Three, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) must determine the number of children who have or who will "time out" of Stage One child care for each month of the period January 2000 through June 2002. This data must be reported separately by one-parent and two-parent families. The data collected will be used to estimate the need for Stage Three child care funding in preparation of the Governor's Budget to be issued in January 2001, for the fiscal year 2001-02. CDSS anticipates that this questionnaire will be issued twice each year, in July for preparation of the Governor's Budget and in January for the revision of the Governor's Budget.

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Counties must compile and return the information on the enclosed questionnaire by September 15, 2000 to Clare Laufenberg in the Child Care Programs Bureau via one of the following methods:

- via electronic mail (e-mail) sent to: claufenb@dss.ca.gov;
- via diskette in an Excel spreadsheet mailed to:
Ms. Clare Laufenberg
California Department of Social Services
Child Care Programs Bureau
744 P Street, MS 6-139
Sacramento, CA 95814
- via fax to:
Attention: Clare Laufenberg
(916) 654-1516

Any questions about this All County Letter should be directed to Clare Laufenberg at (916) 657-3618 or Bebe Halimi-Pollack (916) 654-6273. Thank you for your assistance with this effort.

Sincerely,

*Original document signed by
Bruce Wagstaff 8/14/00*

BRUCE WAGSTAFF
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Welfare to Work Division

Enclosure

"Timing Out" Questionnaire Stage One CalWORKs Child Care

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Instructions:

This data is being collected in order to estimate the funding necessary to serve former recipients in Stage Three CalWORKs Child Care after they have exhausted their 24-months of child care in Stage One.

Although many former recipients are served in Stage Two child care, due to local agency policies, lack of funding, etc., some are being served in Stage One.

Of the children and families currently receiving CalWORKs Stage One Child Care, how many are former recipients who have or will "time out" (reach the end of their 24-months of child care after leaving cash aid) during each of the months listed below? Please provide **ACTUAL counts** of children and families who are former recipients for the months of January through July 2000. The counts for the month of August and the subsequent months should be based on your child care caseload of July 2000. For example, the month of August count should include the counts of children and families from the July 2000 caseload who will time out in August 2000; and so on for each subsequent month.

County:

	Children		Families			Children		Families	
	Single Parent Families	Two-Parent Families	Single Parent Families	Two-Parent Families		Single Parent Families	Two-Parent Families	Single Parent Families	Two-Parent Families
Jan 2000					Apr 2001				
Feb 2000					May 2001				
Mar 2000					Jun 2001				
Apr 2000					Jul 2001				
May 2000					Aug 2001				
Jun 2000					Sep 2001				
Jul 2000					Oct 2001				
Aug 2000					Nov 2001				
Sep 2000					Dec 2001				
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Jan 2001					Apr 2002				
Feb 2001					May 2002				
Mar 2001					Jun 2002				

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