

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



June 28, 1995

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 95-29

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law or Regulation Change
 - Federal Law or Regulation Change
 - Court Order
 - Clarification Request by One or More Counties
 - Initiated by CDSS
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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS AND MATERIALS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EDWARDS v. CARLSON COURT CASE

REFERENCES: ACL 92-49, 92-64, 95-23, ACIN I-34-92, MPP 82-824.13

The purpose of this letter is to provide additional instructions and materials related to the implementation of the Edwards v. Carlson court case.

Case Action Documentation

In all County Letter 95-23, dated June 2, 1995, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) requested counties to develop case action documentation for Edwards cases. After receiving input from the counties, CDSS has changed the request for documentation. Counties need not supply the case name.

Reporting Format

The format needed will have five fields in the following order: County number (1-58), Child last name, Child first name, Child Birthdate (MMDDYY format), and Child Social Security Number. Counties with limited case records (less than 50) may FAX the information in the five field format to Mr. Ray Bacon at (916) 653-4880. Counties with more than 50 case records are to submit a comma-delimited (used to separate fields) ASCII file on PC or MAC-formatted diskettes.

Diskettes are to be submitted by **September 1, 1995** to:

Department of Social Services
Information Services Bureau
744 P. Street, MS 12-84
Sacramento, CA 95814

ATTN: Mr. Ray Bacon

If you have any questions about formatting or submittal of the case action data, please call Mr. Ray Bacon at (916) 653-4902 or Ms. Marjorie Mar Liu at (916) 653-7170.

Statistical Reporting

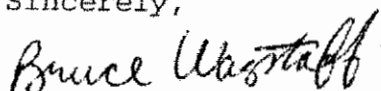
Counties, when discontinuing these cases, are to report them on the ABCD 253, line 11A (Reasons for discontinuance line). If you have any questions about statistical reporting, please call Mr. Levy St. Mary at (916) 653-5170.

Notice of Action

At county request the Temp 2100A has been developed. This notice informs the recipient that a State Hearing will not affect the Edwards AFDC action. Counties should use this Temp 2100A in place of the Temp 2100 issued via ACL 95-23. However, counties unable to covert to the Temp 2100A may supplement the Temp 2100 with a separate stuffer notice regarding the impact of a hearing on an Edwards case action. The Temp 2100A is not required.

If you have any questions about the Edwards v. Carlson Court Order, please call Mr. Vincent Toolan at (916) 654-1808.

Sincerely,



BRUCE WAGSTAFF
Acting Deputy Director
Welfare Programs Division

NOTICE OF ACTION

COUNTY OF _____

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
HEALTH AND WELFARE AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice Date : _____
Case Name : _____
Number : _____
Worker Name : _____
Number : _____
Telephone : _____
Address : _____

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Questions? Ask your Worker.

State Hearing: If you think this action is wrong, you can ask for a hearing. The back of this page tells how. Your benefits may not be changed if you ask for a hearing before this action takes place.

As of _____ the County is stopping your cash aid.

HERE'S WHY:

A court order says that if there is only one caretaker relative the household will be treated as one assistance unit (AU).

You have more than one AU so one or more children will have their separate cash aid stopped. These children will be added to your other AU to get cash aid. These are children you are not required to support but they live with your family.

A court order says the county can do this.

You will get another notice to tell you about adding these children to your other AU.

If you want a State Hearing on the drop in cash aid, you need to know that the judge who hears your case will not be able to increase your cash aid if your only complaint or problem is the change in regulation that all children be in one assistance unit.

On the other hand, the judge may be able to help you if you think there is a mistake in your cash aid or if you have problems besides the change in regulation.

Medi-Cal: This Notice of Action does NOT change or stop Medi-Cal benefits. **Keep your plastic Benefits Identification Card(s).**

Rules: These rules apply. You may review them at your welfare office: MPP 82-824.13, Edwards v. Carlson.