

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY



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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 11/12-41

TO: COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS

COUNTY AUDITOR CONTROLLERS COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS

SUBJECT: CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE STATE SUPPLEMENTAL

CLOTHING ALLOWANCE (SCA) AS A RESULT OF ASSEMBLY

BILL (AB) 106 (CHAPTER 32, STATUTES OF 2011)

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 11-63, DATED

SEPTEMBER 20, 2011; ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 118 (CHAPTER 40, STATUTES OF 2011) AND ABX1 16 (CHAPTER 13, STATUTES OF 2011 FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION); CFL NO. 11/12-18

(FISCAL YEAR 2011-12 REALIGNMENT 2011), DATED

SEPTEMBER 16, 2011; WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

(W&IC) SECTION 11461(F)(5)(B)

This letter provides information regarding the discontinuance of the SCA referenced in ACL No. 11-63, dated September 20, 2011, due to the changes in the Foster Family Home (FFH) rate structure as a result of a court settlement (*California Alliance of Child and Family Services v. Cliff Allenby*). In accordance with AB 106, which modified W&IC section 11461(f)(5)(B), the state is no longer providing a SCA of \$100 per child to FFHs effective July 1, 2011. Pursuant to AB 118 and ABX1 16, funding for Foster Care (FC) has been realigned effective July 1, 2011. The county shall pay 100 percent of the nonfederal share of cost for this program for Foster Family Agencies.

The Assistance Claim (CA 800) will be adjusted to reflect the change in the SCA beginning with the December 2011 claiming month. The CA 800 will be posted to the Financial Services Extranet site by the March 2012 claiming month. These changes will affect the multiple CA 800s and aid codes as follows:

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Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)
Assistance, CalWORKs Diversion, and Kinship-Guardian Assistance Program (Kin-GAP)
Federal (FED)

• CA 800 FED (10/11), Kin-GAP (4F), and the SCA state share will be blocked.

<u>Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures</u>
<u>California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)</u>
<u>Assistance, CalWORKs Diversion, and Kin-GAP</u>
NonFederal (NONFED)

• CA 800S NONFED (10/11), Kin-GAP (4G), the SCA state share will be blocked.

Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures
FC, FC Senate Bill (SB) 163
Federal

 CA 800 FC FED (10/11), FC (42), the SCA state share will shift to county/county American Recovery Reinvestment Act (ARRA) due to AB118 Realignment effective July 1, 2011.

<u>Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures</u> <u>Foster Care, Non Federal</u>

• CA 800 FC NONFED (10/11), FC (40), the SCA state share will be blocked.

<u>Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures</u>
<u>Adoption Assistance, Emergency Assistance-Foster Care (EA-FC)</u>
<u>Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA)</u>
Federal

 CA 800A FED (10/11), EA FC (5K), no changes will be required since there is no state share.

Any reimbursement previously made to the counties effective July 1, 2011, will be recouped by the state in a future claim.

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Questions regarding this letter should be directed to: assistance.claims@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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