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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-45-09

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE-TO-WORK COORDINATORS
ALL CalWORKs PROGRAM SPECIALISTS
ALL COUNTY CHILD CARE SERVICES WORKERS
ALL COUNTY REFUGEE PROGRAM COORDINATORS
ALL COUNTY CONSORTIUM PROJECT MANAGERS

SUBJECT: FINAL REPORT TO LEGISLATURE ON AB 1808 CALIFORNIA WORK
OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CALWORKS) COUNTY PLAN
ADDENDUM STRATEGIES FOR INCREASING THE WORK PARTICIPATION
RATE

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the Senate Bill (SB) 84 (Chapter 177, Section 19, Statutes of 2007) final report to the Legislature on Assembly Bill (AB) 1808 (Chapter 75, Statutes of 2006) CalWORKs county plan addendum strategies for increasing the work participation rate.

AB 1808 enacted Welfare and Institutions Code section 10534, which required counties to review their existing CalWORKs County Plan and submit an addendum to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) detailing how the county will meet specified goals, taking into consideration the work participation requirements of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Reauthorization.

SB 84 required CDSS, in conjunction with CWDA, to report on the implementation and results of AB 1808 strategies that are designed for up-front engagement and sanction reengagement, as well as any strategies to engage time-limited (Safety Net) populations and the characteristics of these populations. To complete these reporting requirements, CDSS in partnership with CWDA and the county welfare directors surveyed the counties for information on the implementation and results of at least one strategy for up-front engagement and sanction reengagement from each county's AB 1808 county plan addendum. The surveys also requested that counties provide information on the implementation and results of any strategies to engage Safety Net families in welfare-to-work activities in an effort to better inform the Legislature of

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

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counties' efforts to help families who have exhausted their 60-month time limit on aid. CDSS used administrative data from various sources to report on the characteristics of Safety Net families.

In accordance with SB 84, CDSS prepared and released on July 18, 2008, a written update to provide the Legislature with information regarding strategies counties included in their AB 1808 addenda which is available electronically at the following location:

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/pdf/AB1808IncreasingWPR.pdf>

The final report of the counties' efforts at developing and implementing their strategies contained in their county plan addenda is a result of the collective effort of CWDA, the counties, and CDSS. The report was submitted to the Legislature on May 15, 2009 and is available electronically at the following location:

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/pdf/SB84FinalReport.pdf>

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact your county's Employment Bureau Analyst at (916) 654-2137.

Sincerely,

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