

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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September 27, 1983

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-105-83

TO: All Public Adoption Agencies
All Private Adoption Agencies with Relinquishment
Adoptions Programs
All DSS Relinquishment District Offices
All County Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: ADOPTION RESOURCE REFERRAL CENTER PROGRAM (ARRC) - TRAINING WORKSHOP;
THE MINORITY EXCHANGE COMPONENT OF REGION IX (MECOR)

ARRC -

The Adoptions Branch, Department of Social Services (DSS), will be conducting a half-day training workshop related to changes in the Adoption Resource Referral Center Program (ARRC). This training is the result of modifications to ARRC, most of which were suggested by user agencies to the Auditor General's Office and the Management Analysis Bureau, DSS, in the course of studies completed by them. We feel that these changes represent distinct improvements to the system and expect their implementation will assist all of us in the placement of special needs children.

Attached is a list of workshop dates, locations, and agency designation for each workshop. The training is for staff in the relinquishment program only. The agenda will focus on (1) background of the ARRC system, (2) explanation of the changes in the registration forms, (3) instructions for completion of the forms, (4) presentation of the requirements and forms for the new family photograph album, and (5) overall ARRC procedure.

In order to facilitate group participation and allow time for questions, we are requesting that each agency send no more than three staff persons. Children's Home Society and LDS-Social Services should send three staff persons from each service district.

Please contact Joyce Sequar by October 7, 1983 (916-322-4227) and give her the name of each training participant. If there are any questions regarding this training, please let Joyce know.

MECOR -

Effective September 15, 1983, Adoptions Branch, DSS, terminated its role as central coordinator of the Minority Exchange Component of Region IX (MECOR). This change was made after meeting with the Component's planning committee to discuss the system's immediate and long range needs and the ability of the participating members to meet those needs.

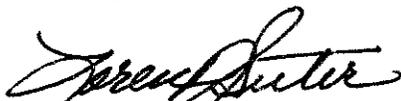
Coordination of the Component's activities has been transferred to the Nevada State Welfare Department. All discontinuances should be sent to:

Nevada State Welfare Department
700 Belrose Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89158

ATTN: Wanda Scott

As usual, all registrations should be given to the MECOR representative on your local exchange.

The Adoptions Branch will continue to actively participate in the Exchange by serving on the planning committee and on designated sub-committees. We have a strong interest in the maintenance of MECOR and its objectives.



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Deputy Director
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Attachment

cc: CWDA

SCHEDULE OF TRAINING FOR ADOPTION RESOURCE REFERRAL CENTER PROGRAM

Oakland	Oct. 17, 1983	8:30 - 12:00 p.m.	CHS-Oakland Dist. Office 3200 Telegraph Road Oakland, CA	LDS-Fremont, CHS-Central Coast Dist. (San Jose), CHS-Golden Gate Dist. (Oakland), Catholic Social Services, DSS-Santa Rosa, DSS-Berkeley, and the following counties: Alameda, Monterey, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Marin, Contra Costa
Sacramento	Oct. 19, 1983	8:30 - 12:00 p.m.	Dept. of Social Services Sacramento District Office 2400 Glendale Lane, Suite B Sacramento, CA	DSS-Sacramento Dist. Office DSS-Chico Dist. Off., LDS-Sacramento CHS-Northern Dist. (Chico) CHS-Central Valley Dist. (Sacto.) and the following counties: El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Solano
Fresno	Oct. 20, 1983	8:30 - 12:00 p.m.	IRS Service Center 5045 Butler Avenue Training Room #1 Fresno, CA	CHS-San Joaquin Valley Dist. (Bakersfield), Infant of Prague, Bethany Christian Services, and the following counties: Fresno, Kern, Merced, Stanislaus, Tulare
Los Angeles	Oct. 25, 1983	8:30 - 12:00 p.m.	Holy Family Services 357 S. Westlake Avenue Los Angeles, CA Conference Room	CHS-Los Angeles Dist., CHS-Tri Counties Dist. (Santa Barbara), LDS-Burbank, Holy Family Services Family Ministries, Children's Bureau, Vista Del Mar, and the following counties: San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura
Santa Ana	Oct. 26, 1983	1:00 - 4:30 p.m.	County Dept. of Social Serv. 1440 East 1st Street Room #213, 2nd Floor Santa Ana, CA	LDS-Santa Ana, CHS-Orange County Dist. (Santa Ana), CHS-San Diego Dist. (San Diego), LDS-San Diego, CHS-Riverside/San Bernardino Dist (Riverside), and the following counties: Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego

Coffee and Tea available for 15¢ per cup.
Parking on side street and in front of office.

Snack bar and Cafeteria in building.
Parking available.

All participants must give name to the receptionist
and pick up a visitor's pass.

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Parking in front of building and on street.

Coffee and Tea available from machines.
Parking lot at left of building.