

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

November 1, 1985

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-88-85

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

Two bills, Chapter 1163, Statutes of 1985 (SB 129) and Chapter 1159, Statutes of 1985 (AB 57), authorizing Adult Protective Services related demonstration projects have been enacted. The Department is interested in determining how many counties may be interested in participating in demonstration projects.

SB 129 establishes the Adult Protective Services Demonstration Program. The bill requires DSS to select at least five county adult protective services (APS) agencies to operate model APS projects. The projects will begin approximately July 1, 1986, and end December 31, 1987, and must include, at a minimum, procedures for the following:

- twenty-four hour access to APS
- investigation of abuse reports
- need assessment
- assurance of receipt of needed services, which shall include in-home caretakers, respite and out-of-home care, access to medical care, legal assistance, and guardianship
- crisis intervention
- coordination with existing community resources, and
- abuse prevention programs, including respite care and community education.

County welfare departments (CWD's), or CWD's together with local adult abuse prevention agencies, may submit project proposals. The bill appropriates \$1,000,000 from the General Fund to administer and fund the model projects. Model project counties must provide a 20% cash or in-kind match.

AB 57 establishes the Emergency Shelters for Elderly and Dependent Adult Abuse Victims Program. The bill requires at least six counties to establish emergency and temporary abuse shelters, which provide counseling services, on a pilot project basis. The projects are to operate from January 1, 1986 to January 1, 1989, unless extended. The pilot projects must use existing resources and must coordinate with local adult services agencies. Project counties may contract

for the provision of project services. The bill appropriates \$560,000 from the General Fund as follows:

\$ 30,000 for FY 85-86  
\$250,000 for FY 86-87  
\$280,000 for FY 87-88

The Department will develop and release more specific guidelines and requirements for the demonstration project proposals. If your county is interested in submitting proposals for the SB 129 projects, the AB 57 projects, or both, please let us know, in writing, by November 30, 1985. Letters should be addressed to:

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If you have any questions, please contact your Adult and Family Services Operations Bureau analyst.



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