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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY GAIN COORDINATORS

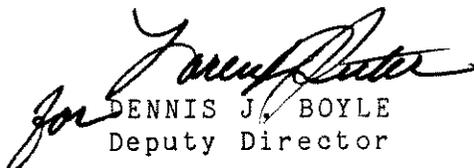
SUBJECT: GAIN CHILD CARE REPORT

The purpose of this notice is to transmit a copy of the report entitled "GAIN: Child Care in a Welfare Employment Initiative." This study focused on child care use among registrants of the Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program in eight of the ten early-starting Counties: Butte, Fresno, Kern, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Stanislaus, and Ventura. The report was prepared by the Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation (MDRC) as part of its evaluation effort under contract with the State Department of Social Services.

The study examined child care usage by GAIN registrants while in the program and during their first months of employment. The data shows that approximately 10 percent of mandatory registrants and 39 percent of volunteers used GAIN-funded child care while in the program. The low usage of GAIN-funded child care was largely attributed to the high number of participants who did not need it or who did not meet the criteria for it, e.g., had children over 12 years old.

The overall findings indicate that registrants were adequately informed of their right to child care services and that registrants were using their preferred types of child care and were satisfied with their arrangements. Most participants preferred to use family members or other types of non-center child care.

If you have any questions concerning the report, please contact your GAIN and Employment Services Operations Bureau analyst at (916) 324-6962.


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Attachment to County Welfare
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