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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: INFORMATION SERVICES BUREAU PUBLICATIONS ON THE INTERNET

REFERENCE: ACIN I-09-96

In a prior All County Information Notice, dated February 14, 1996, we informed you that the Information Services Bureau (ISB) was developing an Internet Server System to publish a selection of ISB's publications electronically. The purpose of this letter is to notify counties that implementation has been completed and counties can now access this information on the Internet.

The address of the ISB Internet site is: <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/isb>

The publications and reports made available on the ISB home page are in Adobe Acrobat portable document format which can be viewed and printed using Adobe Acrobat Reader. If you don't already have the reader, access to this free program will be found on the home page. The portable document format will allow you to view the document on your own computer or print an exact duplicate of the publication. See our home page for further instructions.

The following list of publications and reports will be available from our Internet site. This is only a sampling of the most commonly requested items. For a complete listing of the reports and publications produced by ISB, see our Product Catalog. A brief description is provided on our web page for those who may not be familiar with these publications. Initially, a subset of this list will be available until the remaining publications can be updated. Watch for notices at our Internet site to inform you when a new publication has been added.

PUBLICATIONS:

A Review of Selected National and Statewide Public Assistance Statistics
Adoptions in California (Agency, Independent and Intercountry)
Adult Protective Services
AFDC Application Survey
AFDC Characteristic Survey
Certified Family Homes Used by Licensed FFA's
Characteristics of Agency Adoptions in California
Characteristics of Independent Adoptions in California
Food Stamp Certified Eligible Household Characteristics Survey
Foster Care Children Receiving SSI/SSP
Fraud Investigation Report
Public Assistance Facts and Figures
Preplacement Preventive Services Characteristics Survey of Cases Closed
Preplacement Preventive Services for Children in California
Public Welfare in California (PWIC)

REPORTS:

California SSI/SSP Selected Recipient Profiles
Characteristics of Children in Foster Care (FCIS)
Public Assistance Selected Statistics FY 1980 through 1995

Publications will be retained on the Internet according to the following schedule:

1) Annuals - replaced once a year; 2) Quarterly & Semi-annuals - a full state fiscal year will be retained (4 quarters and 2 semi-annual) until the beginning of the next fiscal year; 3) Monthly - only the most current month will be retained for the FCIS report and Public Assistance Facts and Figures. The PWIC will show all months until the next annual is published; and 4) All Others - some publications have no set schedule and are updated as needed. They will be reviewed annually and depending upon usage, they will be retained on the Internet for up to 3 years or until the next update is available.

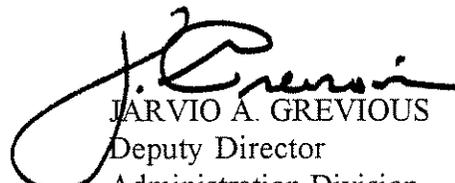
In conjunction with publishing electronically on the Internet, we will be limiting the number of hard copies that are sent through the mail. We have received a very favorable response from counties regarding this new method of distribution so we expect that there will be less need for hard copies.

We are very excited about the potential for publishing on the Internet but we are sensitive to the needs of our customers. Please let us know if there are any publications that you would like added. Our intention is to complete an evaluation to assess how user friendly this new process is and to modify and/or expand it, if warranted. As such, we welcome your comments and feedback.

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If you would like additional hard copies, please contact our Information Coordinator at (916) 653-4180. Should you have any questions or comments regarding our Internet site, please contact Paul Christianson via the Internet at pchristi@dss.ca.gov or at (916) 653-6260.



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