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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 79-27

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: HUMAN SERVICES CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

## REFERENCE:

The California Human Services Classification System has been developed by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 646, Statutes of 1976 (AB 3507). Copies of the terminology system for classifying services as well as the User's Guide have been distributed to the counties by OPR.

The Department of Social Services will assume the responsibility to assist counties in implementing the system in order to assure that the legislative intent of AB 3507 is met.

The classification system developed pursuant to the legislation has two purposes:

1. Information and Referral

AB 3507 intends to provide a statewide standard definition of services and programs available within each community. This purpose of the legislation is the one to which immediate attention and technical assistance to the counties will be provided.

2. Planning

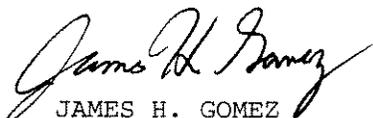
The classification system is viewed as an integral component of the Social Services Planning Act (AB 1642). Data generated during the implementation of the classification system (AB 3507) will be used to improve the coordination and delivery of social services (as required by AB 1642). Direction regarding the interface between AB 3507 and AB 1642 will be addressed in the 1980-81 Planning Guidelines.

Counties are presently required to compile and maintain an annual updated listing to conform to the uniform services classification system and terminology developed by OPR (MPP Section 30-061.21). Therefore, you are required to use the California Human Services Classification System and are advised to use the User's Guide to revise and update your directory. This system is to be implemented on or before January 1, 1980.

Mandated costs to implement this system are disclaimed for non-Electronic Data Processing counties, as the costs are incurred as part of normal operating procedures. Electronic Data Processing counties that have requested conversion costs pursuant to AB 3507 will not be required to convert to this system unless the State provides funds for conversion.

The Adult Protective/Supportive Services Bureau of the Department of Social Services, with the assistance of AB 1642 Implementation Branch and OPR, will be conducting training workshops in the near future to assist you with the implementation of the classification system. The interface of the system with AB 1642 will also be discussed in the workshops.

Pending notification of the workshop schedules, please contact your Adult Program Operations Consultant at (916) 445-8724 if you have any questions.



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