

2. Changes in the share of County EDP charges resulting from discontinuance of a County's CWS system upon the implementation of a statewide CWS system must be spread to all remaining users of the County data processing center and will not be a claimable CWS cost.
3. The urgency of County need for an automated information system must be justified.

State staff from the County Approvals Section (CAS) and the Adult and Family Services Operations Bureau (AFSOB) will be available to work with staff from Counties planning to develop a system while the Counties and this Department determine the best course to take on a statewide basis.

In conducting the feasibility study, we have been calling upon the Counties and CWDA for help. Possible alternatives for a statewide CWS case management system include:

1. New development of a centralized, statewide system utilizing existing State or commercial communications networks, e.g., using existing Case Management Information and Payrolling System (CMIPS) hardware and transmission lines (not software).
2. Use/modification of an existing County-based system as the centralized, statewide system, e.g., Social Services Reporting System (SSRS).
3. Continuation of individual County-operated system with linkage to the State.

We are looking forward to the development of a much improved information source to meet the diverse needs of staff, managers and elected officials at the State and County level.

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