

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 95-70

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
ALL TITLE IV AGENCIES

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

SUBJECT: RECORDS RETENTION

This All-County Letter is a reminder of the legal requirements for records retention and the identification of certain records which require extended retention periods.

A. Public Assistance Records

The Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) sets forth various retention periods for public assistance records. Generally, the regulations require that all public assistance (23-353), social service (10-119.2), and administrative claiming (25-815.38) records and their supporting documents be retained for three years from the date the State submits the last expenditure report to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Case record material must be retained for three years after the date the last State expenditure report has been made to HHS for the period the records were last used to document eligibility. MPP Sections 23-353 through 23-356 set forth the requirements for certain records which have retention periods which vary from the general rule. While the regulations must be reviewed for a complete listing, the most common occurrences are listed below. Some records require retention periods of more than three years. These include:

1. Records and their supporting documents must be retained when there is an open Federal or State audit. This includes those Federal audits in progress and pending issuance of final reports listed on Attachment I, those unresolved Federal audits listed on Attachment II, and the State Controller's Office audits listed on Attachment IV.* Counties are to inform contractors providing social services to retain all necessary records for audits which have not been resolved/closed.

* Records retention periods vary among unresolved State audits. See special instructions at the beginning of each category of State Controller's Office audits listed in Attachment IV.

2. Case records in which criminal or civil litigation was involved are to be retained for three years after the final claim is submitted for Federal reimbursement. These records include those which were used in the determination of eligibility, including denials, for or the amount of retroactive benefits. Other records in the case must be retained in accordance with the requirements for public assistance records specified elsewhere in this letter. Attachment V lists court cases involving the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) which require the extended retention period.
3. The Form ABCD 278L, List of Authorizations to Start, Change, or Stop Aid Payments (or its equivalent), which bears the original initials or the original signature of the delegated county employee who authorized the specific action is identified as one of the records and supporting documents which must be retained in accordance with the retention period for the case record material.
4. The County shall retain Form ABCD 278L or its equivalent for a period of 10 years following closure in all cases where notification to do so by the child support agency has been received.
5. County welfare warrants must be retained for five years. Warrant registers must be retained for 15 years.
6. While not required by regulation, it is desirable that those AFDC case records, and their supporting documents, identified by CDSS as federal sample quality control cases containing an error be retained until the federal sanction process is resolved for the applicable federal fiscal year. See Attachment VI.

Other records need not be retained in the case file as long as sufficient records/verifications are retained to meet Federal quality control requirements for the AFDC Program (AFDC Quality Control Manual Section 3000) and for the Food Stamp Program (FNS Quality Control Handbook 310, Chapter 5). Listed below are examples of those documents which may be purged from the case records:

1. Documents or evidence (photocopies) such as birth certificates and divorce papers provided by the recipient to establish eligibility may be purged (MPP Section 48-001.112) provided that there is a written record of the type of evidence and its pertinent content in conformance with QC requirements. This notation would normally be made in the case narrative and shall also contain the following detail:
 - A. The type and source of document, its date (processed, signed, received or sent), any identification/serial numbers, and the volume and page number, if applicable.
 - B. Where the original document is located, if appropriate, such as a government office.

* See footnote on page 1.

- C. Any other pertinent information for Quality Control purposes from the document.

NOTE: Original documents received should have been returned to the applicant/recipient. The county may choose to retain essential and non-essential documents in the case records in lieu of the documentation and purging discussed above. Retention would assure that all necessary information is in the case file.

2. Documents which were never used to document eligibility may be destroyed provided they have no potential of being used to take action on a case, including good cause determination or fair hearing process. For example, a note from an applicant canceling a meeting may be needed as evidence, should you determine a denial is appropriate based on noncooperation. However, once the eligibility determination is made and documented the note would be of no value and may be destroyed.
3. Records which were used to document eligibility may be destroyed provided three years have passed since the last state expenditure report for that period has been submitted to the HHS. These records must be retained longer when there are unresolved audits* or court cases.
4. While not required by regulation, it is desirable that those cases identified by CDSS as federal sample quality control cases containing an error be retained until the federal sanction process is resolved for the applicable federal fiscal year. See Attachment VI.

Attachment III lists closed audit records which may be flagged for destruction.

B. Food Stamp Records

There are two separate retention requirements for Food Stamp Program records. First, all program records are to be retained for a period of three years from the month of origin. Second, all fiscal records and accountable documents are to be retained for three years from the date of fiscal or administrative closure. This means that records such as, but not limited to transaction receipts, master issuance files, records-for-issuance for each month, authorization documents, cashier's daily reports, Notices of Change, Form FNS-250s (Food Coupon Accountability Report), Household Issuance Record cards, and tally sheets shall be retained for three years. However, any documents or records which are involved in any billing or claim shall be retained for three years from the date of fiscal or administrative closure. For example, FNS-250s that do not result in a billing against the state agency shall be retained three years from the month of origin. But, FNS-250s that result in a billing must be retained for three years from the date that obligations for or against the federal government have been liquidated. Also, any records or

* See footnote on page 1.

documents that are involved in a fiscal audit* or investigation must be retained for three years from the date the audit or investigation is closed. To illustrate this point further, if an FNS-250 that originated prior to April 1992 had fiscal liabilities that were not settled until July 1994, that FNS-250 cannot be destroyed until August 1997. But, on the other hand, if the same FNS-250 had no fiscal involvement, it could be destroyed as of May 1995. Attachment III lists closed audit records which may be flagged for destruction.

Some records require retention periods of more than three years. These include:

1. Food Stamp records that are a part of an assistance case record must be retained in accordance with MPP Chapter 23-350. (See Part A of this letter.)
2. Records and their supporting documents for which there is an open Federal or State audit must be retained. This includes those federal audits in progress and pending issuance of final reports and the unresolved audits* listed on Attachments I, II, and IV.
3. Case records in which criminal or civil litigation was involved are to be retained for three years after the final claim is submitted for Federal reimbursement. Records which must be retained include those documents which were used in the determination of eligibility (including denials) and those used to determine the amount paid as retroactive benefits. Other documents in the case record must be retained in accordance with the requirements for public assistance records specified elsewhere in this letter. Attachment V lists court cases involving SDSS which require the extended retention period.
4. While not required by regulation, it is desirable that those FS program case records, and their supporting documents, which have been identified by CDSS as federal sample quality control cases containing an error should be retained until the federal sanction process is resolved for the applicable federal fiscal year. See Attachment VI.

C. Title IV-D Child Support Records

Federal regulation 45 CFR 74.21 requires records to be retained for three years from the starting date specified in 45 CFR 74.22. That regulation states that the starting date for the retention of (Title IV-D) records begins on the day that the grantee (CDSS) submits its expenditure report for the last quarter of the Federal fiscal year. In other words, Federal regulations require closed case records to be retained for three years after the date that the last quarter's State expenditure report is made to the Federal Government for the Federal fiscal year that the records were closed. More simply, case records must be retained for a maximum of four years and four months (the normal period of time that would occur between

* See footnote on page 1.

the date a case is closed and the date CDSS would submit its last quarter's expenditure report for the Federal fiscal year that the case was closed).

Federal regulation 45 CFR 74.21 sets forth the requirements for certain records which have retention requirements which vary from this general rule. Some records require a longer retention period. These include:

1. Records and their supporting documentation must be retained when they are the subject of an open Federal or State audit.
2. Records and their supporting documentation must be retained when they are the subject of pending civil litigation or when court orders require extended retention periods.

It should be noted that the Federal Government has authority to audit records, regardless of their age, for as long as they are retained.

The provisions of this letter are for the fiscal purposes of CDSS and do not authorize the destruction of those records which have a longer retention period required by other laws/regulations, court cases, or unresolved audits.*

The retention periods are the same for paper and microfilm records. For the conditions on the substitution of microfilm for paper records please refer to ACL 85-34.

Questions or comments regarding records retention involving court cases for specific programs should be addressed to the following persons representing those programs:

AFDC	Vince Toolan	(916) 654-1808
Food Stamps	David Badal	(916) 654-1405
GAIN	Bill Passavant	(916) 654-1423
Child Support	Myrna Fluke	(916) 657-3484

All questions and comments regarding records retention involving audits for all programs should be addressed to Jerry Demorest of the Fiscal Policy Bureau at (916) 657-3659.

For general records retention questions, contact Vanessa Byrd at (916) 657-1912.


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This letter supersedes All-County Letter No. 95-17.

cc: CWDA

Attachments

* See footnote on page 1.

Status as of 07/01/95

FEDERAL AUDITS PENDING RELEASE OF FINAL AUDIT REPORTS

Programs Administered by the
Department of Health and Human Services

ID Number	Description	Audit/Review Period (1)	Status	State/County Agencies Affected	Records Required to Be Retained
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECORDS:					
GAO 105821	Review of CA's FC Placements in Out-of-State Facilities	10/1/92- 09/31/94	e	Alameda Sacramento San Bernardino San Diego San Joaquin Santa Clara Tulare	A & B
SCO	Review of CA's IHSS Claims Payment Process, Internal Control Risks & Weaknesses	01/01/93- 03/31/94	b	Alameda Sacramento Sonoma	A & K
HHS-OCSE* CA-95 PR/PM	Program Results/ Performance Measurement Review of CA's Child Support Enforcement Program	04/01/94- 03/31/95	b	Los Angeles Ventura Orange Sacramento	A & F

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- (1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.
- A Case records selected for audit/review; audit-related materials (e.g., county policy, procedures, correspondence, memoranda, etc. pertinent to the audit/review).
- B Pertinent Assistance Claims, supporting documentation and audit related materials.
- F Pertinent Child Support Program reports (e.g., CS 800 & CS 820 Series, etc.); supporting documentation; audit-related materials.
- K Fiscal/financial claims reports, records, etc. which pertain to the audit, supporting documentation and audit related materials.
- b Audit survey or field work in progress.
- e CDSS comments submitted; final audit report pending.
- * New since ACL 95-17.

Status as of 07/01/95

FEDERAL AUDITS: FINAL AUDIT REPORTS ISSUEDPrograms Administered by
Department of Health and Human Services

ID Number	Description	Audit/Review Period (1)	Status	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount (2)	Records Required to Be Retained
CIN 09-01-00086	DHHS-OIG Financial Audit of California's Foster Care Program	10/01/88-09/30/91	f	Los Angeles Marin Riverside San Bernardino San Diego Santa Clara	\$51,700,000	A & B
CA-IV-B/Sec. 427 Review	DHHS-ACF CWS Program Compliance	10-01-90-09-30-91	u	All Counties (6)	\$13,053,084	A & C
CIN 09-93-00030	DHHS-OIG Audit of Collection & Distribution of Child Support Payments	10/01/86-09/30/91	s	Contra Costa Los Angeles Monterey Sacramento San Francisco Santa Clara	\$ 374,135	A & F

- (1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.
- (2) County and State total of disallowed Federal funds identified in the final audit report; County/State share and grand total may change as a result of appeal(s).
- (6) See Attachment IIB.
- A Case records selected for audit/review; audit-related materials (e.g., county policy, procedures, correspondence, memoranda, etc. pertinent to the audit/review).
- B Pertinent Assistance Claims; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.
- C Pertinent Administrative Expense Claims; supporting documentation and audit-related materials.
- F Pertinent Child Support Program reports [e.g., CS 800 & 820 Series, etc.]; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.
- f Final report released; DHHS Decision Letter pending.
- s Final report released; affected counties have been instructed to implement corrective action to remedy the audit findings and exceptions.
- u Updated decision letter is pending.

Status as of 07/01/95

FEDERAL AUDITS: FINAL AUDIT REPORTS ISSUED

Programs Administered by the
Department of Health and Human Services

ID Number	Description	Audit/Review Period (1)	Status	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount (2)	Records Required to Be Retained
<u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECORDS:</u>						
CA-88-IR,	FSA-OCSE	10/01/81 -	t	13 Counties	\$11,058,754	F
CA-89-IR	Review of Interest Income Earned From Child Support Collections	03/31/89		(4)		
CIN 09-93 -00106	DHHS-OIG PR/PM Review of California's Refugee-RSS & TA Programs	10/01/91- 09/30/92	e	Los Angeles	\$ 31,001	A & I
REG. IX* ACF	ACF Programs Claims Validation Audit (Lake Co. "Maximus" Contract)	07/01/93- 06/30/94	p	Lake	\$ 97,244	A & C

- (1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.
(2) County and State total of disallowed Federal funds identified in the final audit report; County/State share and grand total may change as a result of appeal(s).
(4) See Attachment IIC.
A Case records selected for audit/review; audit-related materials (e.g., county policy, procedures, correspondence, memoranda, etc. pertinent to the audit/review.
C Pertinent Administrative Expense Claims; supporting documentation and audit-related materials.
F Pertinent Child Support Program reports [e.g., CS 800 & 820 Series, etc.]; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.
I Pertinent Refugee and Entrant Program reports, supporting documentation and audit related materials.
e CDSS comments submitted; final report pending.
p Federal disallowance adjustment in application.
t Settlement negotiations in process.
* New since ACL 95-17.

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FEDERAL AUDITS: FINAL AUDIT REPORTS ISSUED

Programs Administered by the
Department of Agriculture

ID Number	Description	Audit/Review Period (1)	Status	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount (2)	Records Required to Be Retained
FOOD STAMP RECORDS						
27018-4-SF	Audit of CA's FSP Program Admin Expenses	07/01/90 03/31/92	i	Contra Costa Los Angeles Napa San Diego San Luis Obispo	\$ 344,491	C
USDA-* OIG; 27600-11-SF	Nationwide FSP Error Rate Reduction Audit	10/01/91 09/30/92	s	Los Angeles Orange	\$ None	J
USDA-* OIG 27400-2-SF	Audit of CA's FSP Financial Statement	10/01/93- 09/30/94	s	Butte Los Angeles Placer San Benito Santa Cruz Shasta Sonoma	\$ 48,873	E

- (1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.
(2) County and State total of disallowed Federal funds identified in the final audit report; County/State share and grand total may change as a result of appeal(s).
C Pertinent Administrative Expense Claims; supporting documentation and audit-related materials.
E Pertinent Food Stamp Program reports (e.g., FNS 46, 209, 250, 259, etc.); supporting/source documentation; audit-related materials.
J Case records included in the Federal/State Q.C. sample; reports of Q.C. review results; supporting documentation.
i CDSS filed request for USDA Appeals Board Review.
s Final report released; affected counties have been instructed to implement corrective action to remedy the audit exceptions.
* New since ACL 95-17.

SSA TITLE IV-B, SECTION 427 REVIEW for FFY 1991

COUNTIES WITH CASES IN THE FEDERAL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
SSA TITLE IV-B, SECTION 427 REVIEW FOR FFY 1991

Alameda
Butte
Contra Costa
El Dorado
Fresno
Humboldt
Kern
Kings
Los Angeles
Marin
Merced
Napa
Orange
Placer
Riverside
Sacramento
San Bernardino
San Diego
San Francisco
San Joaquin
San Mateo
Santa Clara
Santa Cruz
Shasta
Solano
Sonoma
Tulare
Ventura
Yolo

CA-88-IR/CA-89-IR

COUNTIES WITH CASES IN THE FSA-OCSE REVIEW OF
INTEREST/INVESTMENT INCOME EARNED ON
CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTIONS/10/01/81 THROUGH 03/31/89

<u>County</u>	<u>Federal Funds Questioned*</u>
Alameda	\$ 706,269
Sacramento	216,283
San Francisco	685,677
Santa Clara	1,403,525
Orange	322,418
San Diego	1,674,826
Los Angeles	1,954,184
Contra Costa	219,552
Riverside	1,383,386
San Bernardino	1,139,511
Fresno	516,648
Monterey	171,447**
Ventura	665,028
TOTAL	<u>\$11,058,754*</u>
(01-01-95)	

* These amounts are approximate. At the release date of this letter, portions of certain of the individual County disallowances listed above were still being contested.

** Add Monterey County effective 01/01/95.

Status as of 07/01/95

CLOSED FEDERAL AUDITSPrograms Administered by
Department of Health and Human Services

ID Number	Description	Audit/ Review Period(1)	Audit Agency	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount	Records Required to Be Retained	Record Destruction Date**
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECORDS:							
CA-IVA Qtrly Claims Rev.	DHHS-ACF Deferral of Costs Related to the Interest Portion of <u>Rutan v. McMahon</u> Corrective Payments.	10/01/88- 12/01/90	DHHS- ACF	All Counties	\$ 293,173 Closed (12/31/93)***	K	12/31/96
CA-90 PR/PM	OCSE-Child Support Enforcement Program Compliance Review	07/01/89- 06/30/90	OCSE	All Counties	1 percent penalty was never imposed; audit closed 03/08/94.	A & F	03/08/97
CA- IV-E FC for FFY 85 FFY 86	DHHS-OIG Federal Foster Care Program Audit	10/01/84- 09/30/86	DHHS- OIG	36 Counties (3)	\$ 417,205 (Closed for CA 12/31/94)	A & B	12/31/97

(1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.

(3) See Attachment IIIA.

A Case records selected for audit/review; audit-related materials (e.g., county policy, procedures, correspondence, memoranda, etc. pertinent to the audit/review).

B Pertinent Assistance Claims; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.

F Pertinent Child Support Program reports [e.g., CS 800 & 820 Series, etc.]; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.

K Other: Title IV-A Assistance and Administrative Expense Claims; source documentation of Rutan v. McMahon interest paid.

** These records may be flagged for destruction on the date shown.

*** Date Federal adjustment completed.

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CLOSED FEDERAL AUDITS

Programs Administered by the
Department of Health and Human Services

ID Number	Description	Audit/Review Period(1)	Audit Agency	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount	Records Required to Be Retained	Record Destruction Date**
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECORDS:							
09-4-017PD	LADPSS GR-AFFIRM [AFDC]	10/01/91-09/30/92	Region IX-ACF	Los Angeles	\$ 1,118,137 (07/31/94)***	D	07/31/97
105822	*Nationwide Study of Health Related Needs of Infants in Substitute Care	Calendar Years 1986 & 1991	GAO	Los Angeles	\$ None (05/31/95)***	L	06/30/95
CA-* IV-B Sec. 427	DHHS-ACF CWS Program Compliance Review	10-01-89-09-30-90	Region IX-ACF	All Counties (5)	\$11,060,093 (06/30/95)***	A & C	06/30/98

(1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.

(5) See Attachment IIIB.

A Case records selected for audit/review; audit-related materials (e.g., county policy, procedures, correspondence, memoranda, etc. pertinent to the audit/review).

C Pertinent Administrative Expense Claims; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.

D Pertinent ADP systems design, documentation and approvals; supporting documentation for ADP system related costs claimed; audit-related materials.

L Data base constituted of Foster Care recipients to 36 months of age for the two calendar years (1986 & 1991); case records selected for review from this data base.

* New since ACL 95-17.

** These records may be flagged for destruction on the date shown.

*** Date Federal adjustment completed.

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CLOSED FEDERAL AUDITS

Programs Administered by the
Department of Agriculture

ID Number	Description	Audit/ Review Period(1)	Audit Agency	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount	Records Required to Be Retained	Record Destruction Date**
FOOD STAMP RECORDS:							
27070- 2-HY	Nationwide FSP Financial Statement Audit	10/01/90- 09/30/91	USDA- OIG	Los Angeles San Bernardino San Diego Sacramento San Joaquin	Exception amounts and corrective action are County specific; closed for CA on 6/30/93	E	06/30/96
09-4- 017PD	LADPSS GR- AFFIRM [Food Stamps]	10/01/91- 09/30/92	USDA- OIG	Los Angeles	\$ 899,428 (07/31/94)***	C & E	07/31/97
27070- 1-AT	Nationwide FSP Financial Statement Audit	10/01/91- 09/30/92	USDA- OIG	Los Angeles Orange San Bernardino San Diego Ventura	Exception amounts and corrective action are Co. specific; closed for CA on 12/31/94	C & E	12/31/97

(1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.

C Pertinent Administrative Expense Claims; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.

E Pertinent Food Stamp Program reports [e.g., FNS 46, 209, 250, 259, etc.]; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.

** These records may be flagged for destruction on the date shown.

*** Date Federal adjustment completed.

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CLOSED FEDERAL AUDITS

Programs Administered by the
Department of Health and Human Services
and the Department of Agriculture

ID Number	Description	Audit/Review Period(1)	Audit Agency	State/County Agencies Affected	Exception Amount	Records Required to Be Retained	Record Destruction Date**
FOOD STAMP RECORDS:							
27600- -2-SF	Nationwide FSP Financial Statement Audit	10/01/92- 09/30/93	USDA- OIG	Los Angeles San Bernardino San Diego	Exception amounts and corrective action are Co. specific; closed for CA on 12/31/94	C & E	12/31/97
27099- 29-SF	ER Food Stamp Pgm/Northridge Earthquake	01/01/94- 06/30/94	USDA- OIG	Los Angeles	\$ 40,492 (12/31/94)***	A & E	12/31/97
FNS- WRO- FM- 14-3	Post Implementa- tion Review/ NAPAS	10/30/87- 09/30/92	Reg. IX- ACF	Napa	\$ 26,083 (01/11/95)***	C & D	12/31/97

- (1) If a single date is listed, it will be the date of the audit report.
- A Case records selected for audit/review; audit-related materials (e.g., county policy, procedures, correspondence, memoranda, etc. pertinent to the audit/review).
- C Pertinent Administrative Expense Claims; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.
- D Pertinent ADP systems design, documentation and approvals; supporting documentation for ADP system related costs claimed; audit-related materials.
- E Pertinent Food Stamp Program reports [e.g., FNS 46, 209, 250, 259, etc.]; supporting documentation; audit-related materials.
- ** These records may be flagged for destruction on the date shown.

CA-IV-E for FFY 85 & 86

COUNTIES WITH CASES IN THE FEDERAL FOSTER CARE PROGRAM
TITLE IV-E REVIEW FOR FFY 85 AND FFY 86

Alameda
Butte
Contra Costa
El Dorado
Fresno
Humboldt
Imperial
Kern
Kings
Los Angeles
Madera
Marin
Mendocino
Monterey
Orange
Placer
Riverside
Sacramento
San Bernardino
San Diego
San Francisco
San Joaquin
San Luis Obispo
San Mateo
Santa Barbara
Santa Clara
Siskiyou
Solano
Sonoma
Stanislaus
Sutter
Tehama
Tulare
Ventura
Yolo
Yuba

SSA TITLE IV-B, SECTION 427 REVIEW for FFY 1990

COUNTIES WITH CASES IN THE FEDERAL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
SSA TITLE IV-B, SECTION 427 REVIEW FOR FFY 1990

Alameda
Butte
Contra Costa
Del Norte
Fresno
Humboldt
Imperial
Kern
Kings
Los Angeles
Mendocino
Mono
Orange
Placer
Riverside
Sacramento
San Bernardino
San Diego
San Francisco
San Joaquin
San Luis Obispo
San Mateo
Santa Barbara
Santa Clara
Santa Cruz
Shasta
Solano
Sonoma
Stanislaus
Tulare
Tuolumne
Ventura
Yolo
Yuba

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Unresolved Audits

The Counties on the following lists in Attachment IV have unresolved SCO audits. Separate lists exist for each remaining stage of audit resolution. Within each list, audits are arrayed in alphabetic order by County. For those Counties having more than one unresolved audit, there will be an entry for each audit. See the applicable record retention instructions at the beginning of each list, or category.

 Audit Decisions That are On Appeal

The following SCO audits have decisions that are on appeal and are pending further resolution. In these audits, a formal hearing has been completed for one or more of the appeal issues, but a final appeal decision is still pending. After the appeal is resolved and all State and County adjustments have been applied, these audits will be transferred to the "Applied" list and a record destruction date will be assigned after the final state expenditure report implementing the appeal decision is sent to the DHHS.

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Date of Audit Report</u>	<u>Amount of Report</u>
Los Angeles Administrative (DPSS)	07/76 - 06/77	02/08/80	\$ 4,436,697
Los Angeles Administrative (DPSS)	07/77 - 06/80	06/25/82	21,817,942
Los Angeles Administrative (DPSS)	07/80 - 06/82	12/07/84	19,773,982
Los Angeles Administrative (DPSS)	07/82 - 06/84	11/21/86	48,582,432
Los Angeles Administrative (DPSS)	07/84 - 06/86	06/24/88	28,057,667
Los Angeles Administrative (DPSS)	07/86 - 06/88	09/22/89	9,783,712
Los Angeles (DCS)	07/85 - 06/88	06/30/89	29,675,134

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Other Appealed Audits

The following SCO audits have been appealed by the affected Counties but the appeal issues have not yet been formally heard or reviewed as of July 1, 1995. After the appeal is resolved and all State and County adjustments have been applied, these audits will be transferred to the "Applied" list and a record destruction date will be assigned after the final state expenditure report implementing the appeal decision is sent to the DHHS.

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Date of Audit Report</u>	<u>Amount of Report</u>
Los Angeles Adoptions	07/79 - 06/82	08/26/83	719,612
Los Angeles Adoptions	07/82 - 09/84	12/26/86	600,140
Los Angeles BHI	07/69 - 06/76	06/07/78	88,533
Los Angeles BHI	07/69 - 06/75	06/07/78	293,349
Shasta	10/77 - 06/80	11/20/81	318,863
Shasta	07/80 - 06/85	06/12/87	2,243,519
Shasta	07/85 - 06/88	12/15/89	462,640

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Audits Held for Application

The following SCO audits are being held for application pending an approved application methodology. Decision letters have been issued on these audits and none of the decisions have been appealed.

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>
None	Not Applicable

Audits In Application

The following SCO audits have been finalized; actions are now being taken to adjust claims so that there will be a proper State, County, and Federal share of costs claimed and to collect or pay any amounts due as a result of the audit. After all State and County adjustments have been applied, these audits will be transferred to the "Applied" list and a record destruction date will be assigned after the final state expenditure report implementing the appeal decision is sent to the DHHS.

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Date of Audit Report</u>	<u>Amount of Report</u>
San Francisco*	01/77 - 06/79	01/30/81	9,745,728
San Francisco*	07/79 - 06/81	02/25/83	5,656,263
San Francisco*	07/81 - 06/84	08/22/86	19,131,317
San Francisco*	07/84 - 06/87	09/02/88	15,158,850
San Francisco*	07/87 - 06/89	12/28/90	1,465,554

* New since ACL 95-17.

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Applied

The following SCO audits have been finalized, all resultant State and County adjustments have been applied and the final state expenditure report implementing the audit exceptions has been sent to the DHHS. The record destruction dates for the individual audits are specified below.

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Record Destruction Date**</u>
Alameda*	01/77 - 06/78	02/05/97
Alameda*	07/78 - 06/81	02/05/97
Alameda*	07/81 - 06/84	02/05/97
Alameda*	07/84 - 06/87	02/05/97
Alameda*	07/87 - 06/90	02/05/97
Alpine	07/84 - 06/88	08/20/96
Amador	07/82 - 06/84	12/21/95
Amador	07/85 - 06/88	10/27/95
Calaveras	07/80 - 06/85	11/17/95
Colusa	07/83 - 06/86	06/30/96
Contra Costa*	07/77 - 06/79	08/21/98
Contra Costa*	07/79 - 06/80	08/21/98
Contra Costa*	07/80 - 06/83	08/21/98
Contra Costa	07/83 - 06/85	10/23/95
Contra Costa	07/85 - 06/88	11/06/95
Del Norte	07/81 - 06/86	01/06/96
El Dorado	07/82 - 06/86	01/08/96
Fresno*	07/85 - 06/88	03/17/97
Glenn	07/81 - 06/86	06/10/96

* New since ACL 95-17.

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Applied (Continued)

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Record Destruction Date**</u>
Humboldt	04/75 - 09/78	12/16/95
Humboldt	07/85 - 06/88	11/09/95
Imperial	07/80 - 06/84	01/20/96
Imperial*	07/84 - 06/89	03/17/97
Inyo	07/82 - 06/86	11/23/95
Kern	07/82 - 06/85	11/09/95
Kern*	07/85 - 06/87	05/11/97
Kings	07/82 - 06/86	01/27/96
Lake*	07/85 - 06/89	04/07/97
Los Angeles DPSS*	07/88 - 06/90	04/27/97
Madera	07/85 - 06/88	11/09/95
Marin*	07/82 - 06/85	04/27/97
Marin	07/85 - 06/89	07/13/96
Mariposa	07/84 - 06/89	09/09/96
Mendocino	07/82 - 06/85	11/30/95
Mendocino	07/85 - 06/88	11/18/95
Merced*	07/85 - 06/88	04/27/97
Modoc	07/80 - 06/84	12/08/95
Monterey*	07/86 - 06/89	04/13/97
Napa	07/85 - 06/88	06/08/96

* New since ACL 95-17.

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Applied (Continued)

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Record Destruction Date**</u>
Orange*	07/79 - 06/81	08/21/98
Orange*	07/85 - 06/88	08/21/98
Placer	07/79 - 06/82	06/21/96
Placer	07/82 - 06/86	06/09/96
Placer	06/86 - 06/88	11/10/95
Plumas	07/81 - 06/85	12/07/95
Riverside	07/82 - 06/85	06/01/97
Riverside	10/84 - 06/86	05/24/96
Riverside	07/85 - 06/87	06/01/97
Riverside	07/87 - 06/89	06/01/97
Sacramento	07/79 - 06/81	04/30/96
Sacramento	07/83 - 06/87	10/29/95
Sacramento*	07/87 - 06/90	04/13/97
San Benito	07/78 - 06/80	09/09/96
San Benito	07/84 - 06/88	11/18/95
San Bernardino	07/83 - 06/85	07/23/95
San Diego	07/78 - 06/80	11/16/95
San Joaquin	07/87 - 06/89	06/01/97
San Luis Obispo	07/84 - 06/89	10/29/95
San Mateo	07/86 - 06/89	07/29/96

* New since ACL 95-17.

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE (SCO) AUDITS

Applied (Continued)

<u>County</u>	<u>Audit Period</u>	<u>Record Destruction Date**</u>
Santa Clara*	07/81 - 06/83	03/29/97
Santa Clara*	07/86 - 06/88	03/29/97
Santa Cruz	07/83 - 06/86	10/28/95
Sierra	07/81 - 06/86	07/30/96
Sonoma	07/85 - 06/87	12/08/95
Sutter	07/85 - 06/88	06/10/96
Tehama	07/81 - 06/86	01/08/96
Tulare*	07/81 - 06/85	04/13/98
Tulare*	07/85 - 06/87	04/13/98
Tuolumne	01/76 - 06/78	06/30/96
Ventura*	04/79 - 06/81	04/07/97
Ventura*	07/81 - 06/85	04/07/97
Ventura*	07/85 - 06/88	04/07/97
Yolo*	07/84 - 06/87	03/29/97
Yuba*	07/84 - 06/87	05/03/97

* New since ACL 95-17.

** These records may be flagged for destruction on the date shown.

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COURT CASES

- A. All case records previously retained for the following court cases which have a final judgement may now be destroyed except for those which were used in the determination of eligibility, or ineligibility.

NOTE: Case records associated with these court cases must be retained only for those recipients who filed a claim and did so within the designated time period. If a claim was not made, case records need not be retained past the retention schedule specified in this letter.

<u>CASE</u>	<u>FSD</u>	<u>ACL</u>	<u>ACIN</u>	<u>RECORDS COVERED</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>
<u>Yslas v. McMahon</u>		90-70 92-03 94-110	I-67-92	GAIN	10/18/87 to 9/30/93
<u>CCWRO v. McMahon</u>		92-03 94-109		GAIN AFDC	7/1/85 to 10/1/90
<u>Hang v. McMahon</u>				GAIN	10/29/89 to 2/28/95
<u>Jacobson v. McMahon</u>		90-68 91-56 92-03 93-37	I-41-91 I-67-92	GAIN	5/9/87 to 8/28/93
<u>Monica Hamilton, et. al. v. Richard Lyng</u>		88-91 88-55		Food Stamps	2/1/88 to 4/10/92
<u>Petrin v. Carlson</u>				AFDC	5/1/89 to 11/1/93
<u>Crary v. McMahon</u>		90-86 91-24 92-03 92-51	I-14-91	GAIN	12/1/86 to 3/31/91

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COURT CASES

- B. There are several pending court cases which require extended retention including the following:

NOTE: Case records associated with these court cases must be retained only for those recipients who filed a claim and did so within the designated time period. If a claim was not made, case records need not be retained past the retention schedule specified in this letter.

<u>CASE</u>	<u>FSD</u>	<u>ACL</u>	<u>ACIN</u>	<u>RECORDS COVERED</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>
<u>Lopez v. Espy</u>				Food Stamps	7/30/93 to 1/24/94
<u>Muradyan v. Anderson</u>				GAIN	12/16/89 to Present
<u>Miller v. Woods and Community Services for the Disabled v. Woods (and payment to spouses - WRO v. McMahon)</u>		84-58 90-48	I-37-84	IHSS	11/12/78 to Present
<u>Miller, et.al. v. Carlson</u>		91-89 91-114 92-61 92-102 93-20		GAIN, AFDC, NET	6/7/91 to Present
<u>Ceja v. McMahon</u>		91-62 91-68		AFDC	6/1/88 to 6/30/91
<u>Vang v. Healy</u>				Food Stamps	4/13/92 to Present
<u>Aslanian v. Anderson</u>				AFDC Food Stamps	2/5/93 to Present
<u>Sawyer v. Anderson</u>				AFDC	1/10/91 to Present
<u>Tyler v. Anderson</u>				IHSS	1/1/78 to Present
<u>Schneider v. Anderson</u>				AFDC	7/1/92 to Present
<u>Ortega v. Welch</u>				AFDC	12/1/92 to 9/30/94

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COURT CASES

C. The following court cases have been closed, dismissed, or settled and there is no longer a need to hold records related to these cases except in accordance with the general requirements for public assistance records specified in this letter:

<u>CASE</u>	<u>FSD</u>	<u>ACL</u>	<u>ACIN</u>	<u>RECORDS COVERED</u>	<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>
<u>Sallis v. McMahon</u>				AFDC	6/1/87 to 3/1/91
<u>Grimsey v. McMahon</u>		86-71 87-17 87-31	I-58-86	AFDC	1/18/85 - 6/23/86
<u>Windley v. McMahon</u>		90-102 92-03		GAIN	10/12/86 to 4/1/91
<u>Barnes et. al. v. McMahon</u>				Child Support	4/17/89 to Present
<u>Blanco v. Anderson</u>		93-92		AFDC Food Stamps	6/2/93 to Present
<u>Welfare Recipients League v. Woods</u>		84-15 82-15 81-58		AFDC	2/4/82 - 4/21/88
<u>Christine Jones, et. al. v. Clayton K. Yeutter</u>		88-150 89-21 89-100 90-22 90-33 90-72	I-38-90	Food Stamps	2/8/89 to 9/10/90

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FEDERAL SAMPLE QUALITY CONTROL SANCTION PROCESS NOT COMPLETED

<u>Federal Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Programs</u>	<u>Affected Counties*</u>
1992	AFDC	All
1993	AFDC	All
1994	AFDC & Food Stamps	All
1995	AFDC & Food Stamps	All

* Counties with federal QC sample error cases. These cases should be retained until the federal sanction process is completed. Counties will be notified of the resolution dates.