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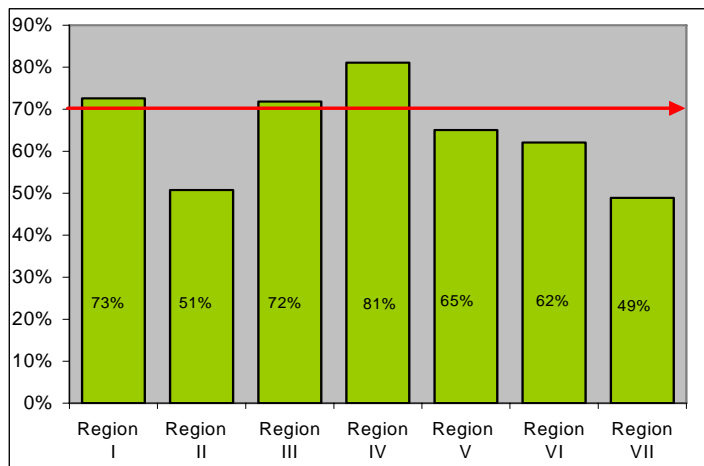
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DEPARTMENTAL GOAL FOR SPECIALIZED SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (SSS)

In the month of January 2006, the overall percentage of participants beginning SSS was 66%. The chart below provides the percentage of participants beginning SSS by GAIN Region.



Please continue to follow up with the participants you refer for services, to ensure that they begin participation. If you experience a backlog in scheduling appointments, please advise the appropriate SSS Program analyst immediately by contacting (562) 908-6329. Keep up the great work!

Serving participants with a need for Domestic Violence Services

This is to remind staff that whenever an applicant/participant discloses that he/she is a victim of domestic violence, a signed PA 853, Affidavit, and/or a signed PA 1913, Domestic Violence (DV) Information Sheet, is sufficient documentation. **Staff are not to request a police report from the applicant/participant in order to verify a DV situation.**

In addition, staff should offer to do the following:

- ✓ Contact a DV service provider and provide the applicant/participant with the use of a telephone and a confidential location to discuss the DV issues with the provider in private, or provide the PA 1914, DV Referral Sheet.
- ✓ Inform the participant that there are many resources available to help him/her end the DV situation, such as counseling and legal services, including restraining orders.
- ✓ Assure the victim that the information will be kept confidential to ensure his/her safety.

PA 6010, Redetermination Update on Absent Parent Information

The PA 6010 is used to obtain absent parent information during the redetermination interview. It was revised in March 2006 to ensure that a child support case exists before the form is processed. Upon completion, it will be forwarded to the Child Support Services Department (CSSD) via the district Child Support Liaison.

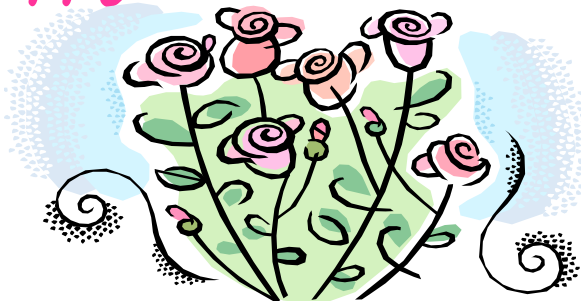
The Eligibility Worker must:

- Review the PA 6010 with the participant focusing on areas with missing information.
- Enter the information provided in the LEADER **Absent/Unmarried Parent** screen.
- Ensure that the child support case number is listed on the form for each child. The child support case number is found in the LEADER **View ARS Summary Information** screen. If the child support case number is not on LEADER, attach to the PA 6010 a copy of the Two-Way Gram returned by CSSD with the child support case number.
- File a copy of the PA 6010 in the case and forward the original within two work days, to the district Child Support Liaison.

The district Child Support Liaison must:

- Forward PA 6010 originals to CSSD collocated staff on a weekly basis, maintaining copies of forms forwarded in administration for one year.
- Complete the PA 6010 Supp, Report on PA 6010 Forms, on a monthly basis and forward to the district's Divisional Staff Assistant.

Happy Mother's Day





Have you heard about the Careers in Child Care Training Program?

Do you have participants who enjoy working with children and are interested in a career in the Early Childhood Development (ECD) field? If so, Careers in Child Care (CCC) Training Program is the program for them.

CCC is a customized training for motivated CalWORKs participants with an interest in the ECD field. The program is approximately two years long. Each year, participants are enrolled in 12 semester units in addition to hands-on training at a child care center under the supervision of teachers who will be their designated mentors.

Upon completion of the first year, participants are eligible to obtain an Associate Teacher Permit which allows them to work at a child care center, and upon completion of their second year, they are eligible to receive their Teaching Permit which can yield employment with self-sufficient wages.

Since CalWORKs participants may require services not normally provided within a college setting, they will be provided with the following services to ensure their successful completion of the program:

- Mentors to provide support and guidance academically and with life skills;
- One-on-one tutors and support staff sensitive to each participant's individual needs; and
- Child care, transportation, and ancillary/work-related expenses.

Since the program's inception, over 324 CalWORKs participants have completed the program and have entered employment, with 76 of those participants having earned their Associate of Arts degree in ECD.



Please refer interested participants to their GAIN Services Worker for specific details. Or, for more information, you or your participant may contact a college listed below:

Citrus College	(626) 914-8501 (ext. 5599)
Compton College	(310) 900-1600 (ext. 2900)
East Los Angeles College	(323) 415-4197
El Camino College	(310) 660-3612
Long Beach City College	(562) 938-3142
L.A. Mission College	(818) 364-7600 (ext. 7146)
L.A. Southwest College	(323) 241-5487
Mt. San Antonio College	(909) 594-5611 (ext. 6117)
Rio Hondo College	(562) 692-0921 (ext. 3127)
Santa Monica College	(310) 434-3932

