

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES**

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CSS LETTER: 06-38

ALL IV-D DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
ALL BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS

SUBJECT: DISCONTINUATION OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION COMPROMISE OF  
ARREARS PROGRAM (FR COAP) DATA REPORTING

The purpose of this letter is to advise all local child support agencies (LCSAs) that the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) elected to terminate the reporting requirement for the Family Reunification Compromise of Arrears Program (FRCOAP) data which resulted from the passage of Assembly Bill (AB) 1449. This change is effective following the completion of the quarterly report (report period July 1- September 30) that was due on October 15, 2006. Please note that although the names are similar, it is important not to confuse FRCOAP with the broader Compromise of Arrears Program known as COAP.

As you know, FRCOAP data is currently being reported to DCSS on a quarterly basis per CSS Letter 03-15, and most recently, CSS Letter 05-17. The decision to discontinue collecting FRCOAP data was made to relieve LCSAs of the laborious manual reporting process, and because of the low level of interest in the data. Activities related to the administration of the FRCOAP are to continue as usual. Only the data reporting requirement is being eliminated.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the discontinuation of FRCOAP data reporting, please contact Elizabeth Hepworth via email at [elizabeth.hepworth@dcss.ca.gov](mailto:elizabeth.hepworth@dcss.ca.gov) or by phone at (916) 464-5807. If you have any policy questions concerning the Family Reunification Compromise of Arrears Program, please contact Gay Schimeck at [gay.schimeck@dcss.ca.gov](mailto:gay.schimeck@dcss.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

/os/ by Debra Sanchez

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Reason for this Transmittal

- State Law or Regulation Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order or Settlement Change
- Clarification requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by DCSS