

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

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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

January 30, 2006

LCSA LETTER: 06-04

ALL IV-D DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: REVISED FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL GUIDELINES FOR
COMPROMISE OF ASSIGNED ARREARAGES - FAMILY
REUNIFICATION

This letter is to advise local child support agencies (LCSAs) of the revised Federal Poverty Level Guidelines (FPLG). The latest revision of the FPLG was published in the Federal Register, Vol. 71, No. 15, on January 24, 2006. These new amounts became effective January 24, 2006, and must be used when determining eligibility for compromise of assigned arrearages – family reunification (also known as AB 1449, Compromise). This notice is not applicable to the Compromise of Arrears Program (COAP) or Interim-COAP.

Any case denied as of January 24, 2006, and any other cases pending denial, should be reevaluated using the new guidelines. A copy of the new figures for comparing income to the FPLG is attached (see Attachment).

The Department of Child Support Services regulation, in Section 119191(e)(3), Chapter 9 of Division 13 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations requires the use of the current poverty level guidelines for determining eligibility for a compromise. The FPLG is published in the Federal Register annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). LCSAs may find the revised guidelines by checking the following HHS web site:

<http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/>

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Trish Salveson, Manager of the Financial Management Policy Unit, at (916) 464-5224.

Sincerely,

o/s/ VICTOR REA for

KAREN ECHEVERRIA
Acting Deputy Director
Child Support Services Division

Attachment

cc: Outreach Coordinators

250% and 300% of the Federal Poverty Level

%	Family of 2	Family of 3	Family of 4	Family of 5	Family of 6	Family of 7	Family of 8 *
250%	33,000	41,500	50,000	58,500	67,000	75,500	84,000

* For each additional family member beyond 8, add \$8,500

%	Family of 2	Family of 3	Family of 4	Family of 5	Family of 6	Family of 7	Family of 8 **
300%	39,600	49,800	60,000	70,200	80,400	90,600	100,800

**For each additional family member beyond 8, add \$10,200

(Federal Poverty Level Published in the Federal Register, Vol. 71, No. 15, January 24, 2006, pp. 3848-3849)