

# PROBATION FORUM – ISSUES UPDATE

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## PROBATION FORUM FOLLOW-UP: October 29, 2012



The monthly Probation Forum provides an opportunity for you to ask questions about CWS/CMS functionality and use to State and County staff. Please join us for an open and lively discussion!

**UPDATES ON PREVIOUS ISSUES:**

Issue #11: There have been reports of slowness in CWS/CMS performance once probation department users have successfully connected to the CWS/CMS application via the Server Based Computing Service (SBCS). Status: The upgrades to the SBC environment should be completed in November. Please continue to call in performance and connectivity Help Desk tickets.

Issue #18 - Can a NMD receive SSI and AB 12 funds at the same time? If not, and the NMD wants SSI and not AB 12 funds do they still remain under 450 status or do we terminate that status at a hearing and have them under general jurisdiction of the Court to enable them to opt back in if they have to? Resolved: Per ACL 07-10, federal law permits the concurrent receipt of SSI benefits and Title IV-E foster care benefits, but the SSI benefits are offset dollar-for-dollar by the amount of Title IV-E benefits a youth receives.

**NEW ISSUE:**

Issue #19: On the Non-CWD page, does the “Last Visit Date” have to be updated with every visit with the probation youth?

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## AFCARS REPORTING

Current Federal Measure 2C, Federal Monthly Caseworker Visits, is being changed to Measure 2F. The new data reporting methodology is consistent with the changes in the law made by P.L. 112-34. The report calculated the percentage of visits made by caseworkers on a monthly basis to children in foster care. One visit is required for each eligible month in a placement. Visits are not counted during the time a child is in a non-foster care period. A side-by-side comparison of the two measures is available and was included with the distribution of this newsletter.

CWDAB (Child Welfare Data Analysis Bureau) asked that Probation users pay special attention to the following CWS/CMS data entry fields:

- 6-Month Review Date – date of most recent six-month review hearing. This date is updated with each 6-month new hearing.
- Case Plan Goal – be sure to complete this field in Client Services, Placement notebook, Non-CWD page
- Hispanic Indicator – be sure to complete this section in Client Services, Client notebook, ID page

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### SBC Citrix Logon Page

The SBC Logon Page was updated on October 20, 2012. If you are having problems logging in, contact the Boulder Help Desk at 800-428-8268.

### Improving Communication

The Forum included a general discussion about improving communication. Based on that discussion, the OSI CWS/CMS Office will look for the best way to maintain a mail list. In the meantime, if you would like to be added to the Probation Forum mail list, please send a request to the Customer Relations mailbox at [cwscustrel@osi.ca.gov](mailto:cwscustrel@osi.ca.gov).

### National Youth In Transition Database (NYTD) Follow-Up Survey

CDSS has published All County Letter No. 12-52 that provides updated information and direction regarding survey outcomes reporting as required per the NYTD Final Rule that became effective on October 1, 2010. If you have any questions, please email them to [NYTD@dss.ca.gov](mailto:NYTD@dss.ca.gov). ACL 12-52 is on the internet at:

<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/lettersnotices/entres/getinfo/acl/2012/12-52.pdf>

### AB12

There was some discussion about AB12 issues and policies that Probation Offices are dealing with. Please send your policy questions to [AB12@dss.ca.gov](mailto:AB12@dss.ca.gov). CDSS also has a webpage on the internet for AB12. This webpage includes AB12 resources, All-County Letters (ACL), All County Information Notices (ACIN), County Fiscal Letters (CFL), and a Community Care Licensing information Release.