

Probation Forum – Issues Update

CWS/CMS User Resource Services Team

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The User Resource Services Team (URST) is responsible for maintaining and making available to the counties application user training tools and documentation.

PROBATION FORUM FOLLOW-UP: May 21, 2014



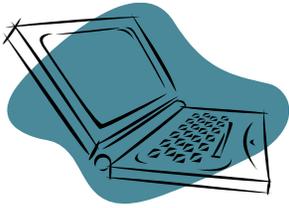
Twenty four counties, CDSS, CWDA, and CWS-NS, participated in the discussion.

CWS-New System: Kevin Gaines and Sarah d'Eon provided an update on the Child Welfare Services New System Project. Highlights include an additional delay of 14 months due to inability to recruit and fill positions and additional workload related to adding functionality for Children's Residential Licensing. The CWS-NS project continues to research interfaces that will eliminate dual data entry for Probation users. Total project cost increased by \$47 million, new total one-time costs is \$398 million.

ACL 13-86: This ACL, targets youth who have been in group care for 365 consecutive days or those youth who have multiple placements within the same episode and have been in group care 365 days or more when added together. CDSS will, semi-annually, place lists, identifying these youth, on their secure website. Counties are asked to reassess each youth identified, determine if placement in group care remains suitable and appropriate based upon their identified needs and strengths, and document the reassessment into the Contact Notebook in CWS/CMS. Users can request a PIN/Password by contacting ccr@dss.ca.gov to access information posted on the secure website. Questions regarding this ACL can also be sent to: ccr@dss.ca.gov.

ACL 14-23: This ACL provides counties with direction on requesting credit reports on foster youth aged 16 and 17; provide assistance to NMD in requesting their credit reports; ensure foster youth and NMD's receive assistance in interpreting their credit reports and resolving any inaccuracies; and provide direction on documenting these efforts into CWS/CMS. CDSS will produce a list for each participating county that identifies youth who either have or do not have a credit report from each CRA, and post the list on the Child Welfare Data County extranet site located at <http://www.cdsscounties.ca.gov/cwdab/>. A password is required to access the extranet site and will be issued to the Point of Contact identified by each county. To request credit reports from Trans Union and Equifax, each county must open an electronic account with each of those two CRAs. Equifax charges a one-time fee of \$500. Questions regarding the extranet site and this ACL may be directed to: cwsdata@dss.ca.gov

SCR 8496: This system change request (SCR) will add functionality to CWS/CMS that will enable the documentation of new requirements outlined in ACL 14-23. A more detailed summary of SCR 8496 will accompany these minutes as an attachment.



Child Removal Date:

RCFFP trainers wanted to remind participants that when opening a new case in CWS/CMS, the child removal date ought to be the date the minor was most recently arrested and detained in juvenile hall prior to the court ordering the minor into placement. Additional information on this subject can be found behind the “FAQ” tab located at:

<http://www.hwcws.cahwnet.gov/projects/probation/default.asp>

What is the Start Date for Probation Cases?

- A child is new to probation. What is the case start date?
Answer: The case start date is the date of the placement order.
- A child is a 300 case. The 300 dependency is terminated. The child enters probation. What is the case start date?
Answer: The case start date is the date of the new placement order.
- A child is in an open 300 case in CWS. While in an open 300 case, the child becomes a probation (600) case. What is the case start date?
Answer: When a case is transferring jurisdiction (300 to 600) the case start date is the date the delinquency court orders placement.

Additional information on this subject can be found behind the FAQ tab at:

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Business Objects report on AWOL wards: Mindy Yamasaki and Andy Leung gave a brief overview of a new report they are developing for probation users. This report will enable probation users to run county specific reports on youth identified as AWOL in CWS/CMS. **If anyone is interested in testing and validating the report, please contact Harold Rowe @ Harold.Rowe@osi.ca.gov.**

Increasing Probation’s participation and influence with CWS stakeholders: Jerry Cox provided an overview of meetings held throughout California that are integral in making recommendations, establishing priorities, and approving changes to the current CWS/CMS system. Participation in these meetings can be in person or by teleconference. Probation users are encouraged to participate. A calendar with current meeting information can be found behind the “Event Calendar” tab located at:

<http://www.hwcws.cahwnet.gov/countyinfo/calendar/default.asp>

NEXT PROBATION FORUM

July 16, 2014

New Time: 2:00-3:30

(877) 214-6371

Participant Code: 933687

Adobe Connect Meeting Link:

<http://cahealthosi.adobeconnect.com/probation/>