

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 20, 2015

Twenty-nine counties, CDSS, RCFFP and the CWS-NS participated in the discussion.

Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC): Beginning June 1, 2015, Federal and State legislation (SB855) requires data collection and reporting on minors identified as CSEC. System Change Request (SCR) 8630 is currently being worked on as part of R7.4, to update the CWS/CMS application to include four (4) new values in the client notebook. CSEC – Victim before Care, CSEC – Victim during Care, CSEC - Hotline Referral, CSEC – At Risk. CDSS is currently developing an All County Letter with instructions on data requirements. This letter is in stakeholder review.

ACL 15-28 was published May 29, 2015 and provides counties with instruction to opt in to the 2015 -16 CSEC Program.

Credit Report Update: Federal law lowering the foster youth credit report age to 14 will take effect after September 29, 2015. These youth will be included in the extranet reports beginning with Q4-2015, which should post in March 2016.

The State will provide a report to the Legislature by February 1, 2016, that will show the progress (or lack thereof) counties are making in meeting the foster youth credit report mandate. Therefore, counties should notify CDSS of any barriers in establishing the electronic accounts with the credit reporting agencies. Also, counties should not delay in documenting credit report activities in CWS/CMS so that they show up in the data reports.

Questions can be directed to Rick Pimentel at: Rick.Pimentel@DSS.ca.gov

Training Update: Cheryl Binkley is back!! Cheryl and Cathy Groh are continuing to support Probation statewide. Colleen Clark will support as backup. To discuss training needs and/or schedule CWS/CMS training please contact Debbie Rodriguez at dkrodriguez@ucdavis.edu or call her at 530-757-8582.

WIC 786 and AB 666: WIC 786 became effective on January 1, 2015 and requires the petition of a minor under the jurisdiction of the court dismissed, and all records in the custody of the juvenile court pertaining to that dismissed petition, sealed, if the minor satisfactorily completes a term of probation or an informal program of supervision. AB 666 is an attempt to clean up WIC 786. If passed, records in the custody of LEA's, Probation, and any other public agency having records pertaining to those cases, are to be sealed. This added language would include data entered into CWS/CMS.

Discussion item: Are any counties tracking placement youth and sealed cases (before/after placement) and how are they doing it?

CWS/CMS New System Update: The project continues its recruitment for a probation consultant. There has been some interest shown in the position, but so far no Probation consultants are attached to the project on a full-time basis. For those interested in learning more about this position contact: robyn.sasaki@osi.ca.gov or zach.nolan@osi.ca.gov. The project concluded the RFP review and had a concurrent review process (vendors and stakeholders). IAPD milestone is delayed. No risks/issues this month.

NYTD Update and reminders: For the first review period counties did not meet the minimum participation rate for the out-of-care youth and the survey was reopened to offer those counties who submitted their Outcome Determination spreadsheet with youth in the Unable to Locate determinations. Approximately 20 more youth are needed to meet the federal requirement to bring the percentage from 57 to 60%. On the other hand, counties did fantastic in surveying the youth who were still in extended foster care with a 98% completion rate. The requirement was a minimum of 80%. The incentive remains \$100 for the 21 year old survey.

Reminders:

- Webinar held on April 23 included a tutorial from OSI on entering NYTD data into CWS/CMS.
- Refer to ACIN No. 1-12-15 on how to access the OSI tutorial available
- Checklist document available
- Best Practices document available (attached to the November Forum minutes)
- PowerPoint on the independent living services available
- Probation Departments are encouraged to have a SafeMeasures account to help facilitate the completion of NYTD surveys for eligible youth. Mary Allard will assist in getting departments an account by verifying their status to SafeMeasures.

For all items listed above, please send an email to Mary.Allard@dss.ca.gov or phone at 916-654-0960.

NEXT PROBATION FORUM

July 15, 2015

Time: 2:00-3:30

(877)-873-8017

Participant Code: 933687

Note: For the July Forum Call, a new teleconference vendor will be used. Skype for business (formerly known as Lync) will be used instead of Adobe Connect. Details to log onto this new service will be included in the meeting reminder in July.

FUTURE AGENDA SUGGESTIONS: If there are concerns or issues you would like added to next meeting's agenda, please submit them to Harold Rowe @ harold.rowe@osi.ca.gov.

