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Tentative WDTIP County Data Conversion Schedule

The Welfare Data Tracking Implementation Project (WDTIP) is currently preparing to complete its first county conversion in September, 2000. The current list of tentative conversion dates, provided by each county/consortia, are included in the table below. Dates were determined as follows:

♦ **County Systems**
   Each county provided conversion dates directly to WDTIP.

♦ **ISAWS Counties**
   The date for the ISAWS counties were determined by taking the county's Welfare To Work conversion date, and two months (60 days) were added to determine the estimated conversion completion date for WDTIP. The approach was developed at a Consortium Management Committee meeting.

♦ **WCDS Counties**
   All WCDS counties provided conversion dates directly to WDTIP before the deployment date for the WDTIP Extract Package was set. The conversion dates for WCDS counties are currently being refined based on the package deployment date of September 14, 2000.

If you have any questions regarding the following conversion schedule, please contact Anna Leaño at (916) 229-3374 or by email at *aleano@hwdcsaws.cahwnet.gov*.

WDTIP Conversion Schedule – As Of August 31, 2000

Ventura	County System	September 2000
Yolo	WCDS	October 2000
Alpine	ISAWS	Pending
Glenn	ISAWS	Pending

Sutter	ISAWS	Pending
Riverside	County System	October 2000
Merced	County System	November 2000
Mono	ISAWS	November 2000
Alameda	WCDS	November 2000
Colusa	ISAWS	November 2000
Santa Clara	WCDS	November 2000
El Dorado	ISAWS	November 2000
San Francisco	WCDS	November 2000
Tuolumne	ISAWS	November 2000
Kings	ISAWS	December 2000
San Benito	ISAWS	December 2000
Tehama	ISAWS	December 2000
Calaveras	ISAWS	December 2000
Sierra	ISAWS	December 2000
Mariposa	ISAWS	December 2000
Trinity	ISAWS	December 2000
Sonoma	WCDS	December 2000
Tulare	WCDS	December 2000
San Diego	WCDS	December 2000
Contra Costa	WCDS	December 2000
Fresno	WCDS	December 2000
Lake	ISAWS	December 2000
Orange	WCDS	December 2000
Sacramento	WCDS	December 2000
San Luis Obispo	WCDS	December 2000
San Mateo	WCDS	December 2000
Santa Barbara	WCDS	December 2000
Santa Cruz	WCDS	December 2000
Solano	WCDS	December 2000
Stanislaus	County System	December 2000
Lassen	ISAWS	January 2001
Modoc	ISAWS	January 2001
Marin	ISAWS	January 2001
Placer	WCDS	January 2001
San Bernardino	County System	January 2001
Amador	ISAWS	February 2001
Madera	ISWSA	February 2001
Napa	ISAWS	February 2001
Monterey	ISAWS	February 2001
Siskiyou	ISAWS	February 2001
Del Norte	ISAWS	February 2001

Plumas	ISAWS	February 2001
Yuba	ISAWS	February 2001
Inyo	ISAWS	February 2001
Shasta	ISAWS	March 2001
Nevada	ISAWS	March 2001
Butte	ISAWS	March 2001
Mendocino	ISAWS	March 2001
Imperial	ISAWS	April 2001
Humbolt	ISAWS	April 2001
San Joaquin	ISAWS	April 2001
Kern	ISAWS	May 2001
Los Angeles	LEADER	June 2001

Welfare Data Tracking Implementation Project (WDTIP) Data

The WDTIP system application, Tracking Recipients Across California (TRAC), was made available through the MEDS Main Menu on June 5, 2000. Since then there have been an average of 16,000 hits per week on the system. This is an indication that users are beginning to view the time clock information provided in WDTIP.

As of August 31, 2000 no counties have converted their data to the WDTIP System. The data that currently resides in the WDTIP database is from MEDS and the SAWS-TA SIS database. MEDS data does not contain critical data that affect time on aid calculations and is a derivation of county data.

As a result, the time clock calculations currently in WDTIP do not include exemption, sanction, penalty, good cause, welfare to work plan sign date, diversion, out of state aid, supportive services only, or child support reimbursement data. *(Note: counties that have online data entry capability may have diversion, out of state aid, supportive services only, or child support reimbursement data.*)

Users should be aware that the WDTIP time clock calculations might not match their time clock calculations for an individual's time clocks at this time due to the absence of some time clock related data.

Although no counties have completed conversion to WDTIP, it is still a valuable source of information. Users can review existing program participation information and use WDTIP as an effective tool for eligibility review.

WDTIP System Functionality

The WDTIP Application and Technical Teams are preparing for implementation of the second release of the WDTIP system on September 9, 2000. This release incorporates eight enhancements to the system. Most of the changes are related to the way that the system processes the data that is received from the counties. Some modifications impact the end user as well. Following is a list with brief descriptions of the changes that will be incorporated into the second release:

Screen-Specific System Changes

♦ The Program Summary Screen (PSUM) will be changed to display County ID.
♦ The Exception/Extension Summary Screen (ESUM) will be changed to display County ID.
♦ The Program Summary Screen (PSUM) and Time Clock Summary Screen (TSUM) will have a new field identifying if an individual has overlapping program participation. Y (yes) or N (no) will be displayed.
♦ The Time Clock Summary Screen (TSUM) will display a number representing the total number of exception months.

Batch-Specific System Changes

♦ The WDTIP system will be changed to allow counties (except Riverside and San Bernardino) to send WDTIP overlapping program participation records using a newly defined *key* (CIN, Case Serial Number, County Code, FBU, Person Number, Program Type, Aid Code and Federal/State Only Indicator) to uniquely identify records. (Specific processes are being developed for Riverside and San Bernardino.)
♦ The WDTIP system will be changed to allow WCDS counties to send WDTIP overlapping exception records using a newly defined *key* (CIN, Case Serial Number, County Code, FBU, Person Number, Exception Type Code and Exception Reason Code) to uniquely identify records.
♦ The WDTIP system will be changed to load *ONLY* cash program information from MEDS – after counties convert to WDTIP, Food Stamp and Medi-Cal information (currently being displayed in WDTIP) will be removed.
♦ The aid code in the record header (in the file counties send to WDTIP) will be changed from being mandatory to being optional for all records other than LD02 (Program Participation)

The WDTIP User Manual is currently being updated to reflect these system changes and will be available on the Project website by September 9, 2000. Please contact the WDTIP Help Desk at (877) 365-7378 if you have questions.

WDTIP System Training

Just a reminder, all counties have the option of conducting their end-user training in the Production Region (TRAC) or the Training Region (TRAT) of the WDTIP system. The Training Region will be available to accommodate county end-user training through December 31, 2000. If you have questions about the Training Region, the training data or the Region's availability, please contact the WDTIP Help Desk. The WDTIP **System Training Curriculum** is available for viewing or downloading at the Project's website, **www.wdtip.cahwnet.gov.**

Communications

The WDTIP website address is **www.wdtip.cahwnet.gov.** If you have any questions, we are available from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The WDTIP Help Desk toll-free number is **(877) 365-7378.** Our fax number is (916) 229-4487. WDTIP staff phone numbers and e-mail addresses are posted on the WDTIP website in the *Contact* section.

Other

If you have ideas for functional items you would like to see included in the monthly WDTIP Bulletin, please contact Gloria Takagishi at (916) 229-3089 or by e-mail at *gtakagis@hwdcsaws.cahwnet.gov.*