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**ADP BULLETIN**

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PURPOSE

(1) To request that counties and Drug Medi-Cal direct providers inform the Department of their Y2K readiness; and (2) to advise these counties and providers of the opportunity to test automated interfaces with the Department.

DISCUSSION

Over the past 15 months, the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) has been actively involved in a wide range of activities designed to identify and mitigate potential Y2K problems which might interfere with relationships between ADP and counties, providers, and vendors. In particular, we have been concerned with issues that might disrupt services to persons receiving alcohol and other drug services.

Request for Certification of Y2K Readiness

As part of its own preparation for Y2K, ADP requests that counties and Drug Medi-Cal direct providers inform ADP of their own Y2K readiness and identify any remaining areas of concern. A form response for this purpose is attached.

Please be advised that non-response will be understood to mean that the applicable county or Drug Medi-Cal direct provider is not Y2K ready, insofar as its relationship with ADP is concerned. Where suitable assurance of readiness is not made, ADP will consider on a case-by-case basis whether action by ADP is required to reduce or eliminate the potential for harm. This might include, for example, a modification or interruption of the non-ready party's interface with ADP until Y2K compliance can be confirmed.

Y2K Testing

Through the Department of Information Technology's (DOIT) External Interface Registry, relationships

between ADP and counties that depend on systems that may be subject to Y2K events have been identified. Under DOIT guidelines, ADP did not identify any of these interfaces as being mission-critical to ADP. However, five counties identified interfaces with ADP as mission-critical to them. DOIT guidelines and common sense require testing of mission-critical interfaces. ADP is ready, willing, and able to conduct tests of counties' mission critical interfaces with ADP, to provide greater assurance against Y2K-related events. ADP may also conduct testing with others on request.

Any county desiring a Y2K readiness test with ADP should contact Karen Redman, ADP External Interfaces Coordinator (916-323-7836) to arrange the test. Drug Medi-Cal direct providers should contact Terrie Williams, Fiscal Management Branch (916-323-2058).

Testing should be conducted as soon as possible to maximize the available time for any further corrections or preparations that may be indicated by the test.

REFERENCES

ADP Bulletin #99-04: Year 2000 (Y2K) Concerns
ADP Bulletin #99-24: County/State External Interfaces

HISTORY

Not applicable.

QUESTIONS/MAINTENANCE

Counties should contact Karen Redman, ADP External Interfaces Coordinator (916-323-7836) to arrange a test. Drug Medi-Cal direct providers should contact Terrie Williams, Fiscal Management Branch (916-323-2058). For other Y2K questions, contact Peggy Blair, Y2K Project Manager (916-322-1222).

EXHIBITS

None.

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