

******* IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY *********TO: IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS) LIVE-IN FAMILY CARE PROVIDER**

You are receiving this notice because you have been identified as a current IHSS provider and you meet the following conditions on or before January 31, 2016:

1. You provide IHSS services to two or more IHSS recipients.
2. You live in the same home as all of the IHSS recipients that you provide services to.
3. You are related to the IHSS recipients to whom you provide services as his/her parent, stepparent, adoptive parent or grandparent or you are his/her legal guardian.

Beginning February 1, 2016, state law limits the maximum weekly number of hours an IHSS/Waiver Personal Care Services (WPCS) provider can work in a workweek. Providers who work in IHSS/WPCS will be paid overtime if they work more than 40 hours a week, but providers shall not work more than 66 hours a week for IHSS and WPCS combined.

You may be eligible for an exemption to the 66 hour work week limitation if you meet the conditions in 1, 2 and 3 above. You will be allowed to work up to a maximum of 90 hours per workweek and up to a maximum of 360 hours a month under this exemption.

However, even with this exemption, you cannot work more than 90 hours per workweek or more than 360 hours per month. If your hours for your recipients are more than that, your IHSS recipients will have to hire another IHSS provider to work the rest of their IHSS hours.

If you would like this exemption, you must complete, sign and date the enclosed form, In Home Supportive Services Program Live-in Family Care Provider Overtime Exemption (SOC 2279). You must return the SOC 2279 to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) in the enclosed envelope by April 1, 2016.

If your circumstances change so that you no longer meet the three (3) requirements above, you will no longer qualify for this exemption and you must notify the county immediately.

If you have any questions about this exemption or how to complete the SOC 2279, please call CDSS at (916) 551-1011.