

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



September 29, 1999

ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 99-74

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
 ALL COUNTY CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS
 ALL COUNTY ICPC LIAISONS
 ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICES
 ALL ADOPTION FIELD OFFICES
 ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Changes
- Federal Law of Regulations Change
- Court Order or Settlement Agreement
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: RESCINDING AUTHORIZATION TO RECEIVE FOSTER CARE FUNDS FOR CALIFORNIA CHILDREN PLACED IN

- (1) AZELWAY, INC -- TEXAS
- (2) CHILDREN'S HOME OF DETROIT – MICHIGAN
- (3) PRAIRIE LEARNING CENTER – NORTH DAKOTA

Azelway, Inc., Children's Home of Detroit, and Prairie Learning Center have advised the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) that they are no longer interested in certification as an out-of-state provider for the purpose of receiving California children as placements. Their applications for certification as out-of state providers for the purpose of receiving California children as foster care placements are withdrawn.

Under the authority of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children and as the Title IV-E single state agency authority, CDSS suspended, effective September 1, 1999, any new Interstate Compact placements from California in these facilities. There are no California children currently in Azelway, Inc., and Prairie Learning Center. There is one California child at the Children's Home of Detroit and Riverside County was notified by telephone on September 9, 1999, to make plans for the safe removal of the child.

As a result of this action, counties may no longer claim costs on any of the County Assistance Claims for New Placements at these facilities effective October 9, 1999. Any county that does not comply will be at risk of future audit exceptions.

Be advised that failure to obtain certification precludes placement of California children by county social services or probation departments. However, children who are seriously emotionally disturbed and placed pursuant to California Government Code Section 7570 et al. are not impacted by the certification process.

CONCLUSION

Attached for your convenience is a revised "Certification" list. Should you desire additional information, please telephone Ms. Marika Wolf, Deputy Compact Administrator and Manager, Out-of-State Placement Policy Unit, at (916) 323-1000.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by: Wesley A. Beers

WESLEY A. BEERS

Acting Deputy Director and
Compact Administrator

Attachment

c: CWDA
CPOC
Judicial Council

**OUT-OF-STATE
RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES
CERTIFICATION LIST**

Updated September 30, 1999

Authorized Pending Certification

- Chileda Institute (Wisconsin)
- Children's Home of Detroit (Michigan)
- Christie School (Oregon)
- Church of God Children's Home (North Carolina)
- Devereux (*Victoria*, Texas)
- Nashua Child Center (New Hampshire)
- New Hope Treatment Centers (South Carolina)
- Normative Services (Wyoming)
- Raindancer Youth Services (Utah)

Certified

- Glen Mills (Pennsylvania)
- Heritage Schools, Inc. (Utah)
- Rite of Passage--except the Remote Treatment Campus, (Nevada)
- Vision Quest (Arizona)

Provisional Certification

- Cinnamon Hills Youth Crisis Center (Utah)—effective 8/18/99-12/18/99
- Excelsior Youth Centers, Inc. (Colorado)—effective 8/18/99-11/1/99