



MEMORANDUM

TO: Diana Boyer, County Welfare Directors Association of California, Children's Services Committee
Greg Rose, California Department of Social Services, Children and Family Services

FROM: California Social Work Education Center Executive Committee of the Board

DATE: September 1, 2017

RE: CalSWEC Title IV-E Stipend Program Employment Obligation Extension

The Executive Committee of the California Social Work Education Center (CalSWEC) Board convened on August 30, 2017. During this meeting, the topic of the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) request to extend the employment obligation for CalSWEC Title IV-E Stipend Program graduates was discussed. The CalSWEC Executive Committee of the Board unanimously agreed to issue the following statement:

The CalSWEC Executive Committee of the Board welcomes a discussion on the issues related to retention of child welfare personnel. Such a discussion should be based on relevant data and evidence, and take into account potential challenges to Title IV-E Stipend Program operations.

On behalf of the CalSWEC Executive Committee of the Board,

Scott Gruendl
President

CalSWEC Executive Committee of the Board Members:

Vida Castaneda, Senior Analyst, Center for Families, Children & the Judicial Council of California
Lori Cox, Director, Alameda County, Social Services Agency (absent from discussion)
Jeffrey Edleson, Dean, University of California, Berkeley, School of Social Welfare
Scott Gruendl, Assistant Director, County of San Mateo, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
Howard Himes, Director, Napa County, Health and Human Services Agency
Jo Ann Johnson, Program Manager, Sacramento County, Division of Behavioral Health
Celeste Jones, Professor, California State University, Chico, School of Social Work
Amy Levin, Assistant Vice President, California State University, Northridge, Graduate Studies
Nancy Meyer-Adams, Director, California State University, Long Beach, School of Social Work
Elliott Robinson, Director, County of Monterey, Department of Social Services
Laurie Smith, Director, California State University, San Bernardino, School of Social Work
Ronnie Swartz, Chair, Humboldt State University, Department of Social Work
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