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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

TO: ALL COUNTY CHILD WELFARE DIRECTORS  
 ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS  
 ALL COUNTY CONSORTIUM PROJECT MANAGERS  
 ALL COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS  
 ALL COUNTY TREASURERS  
 ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS  
 ALL FOSTER CARE MANAGERS  
 ALL INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM COORDINATORS  
 ALL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGERS  
 ALL TITLE IV-E AGREEMENT TRIBES

SUBJECT: **COMMERCIALLY SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN PROGRAM  
 FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY  
 AND COUNTY PLAN INSTRUCTIONS**

REFERENCES: [SENATE BILL \(SB\) 855 \(CHAPTER 29, STATUTES OF 2014\), WELFARE & INSTITUTIONS CODE \(WIC\) SECTIONS 16524.6-16524.11; WIC SECTION 300; PUBLIC LAW 113-183; SB 1322 \(CHAPTER 654, STATUTES OF 2016\); PENAL CODE SECTION 647; PENAL CODE SECTION 653.22; ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-83-16, DATED NOVEMBER 23, 2016; ALL COUNTY LETTER \(ACL\) NO. 16-74, DATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2016; ACL NO. 16-49, DATED MAY 23, 2016; COUNTY FISCAL LETTER \(CFL\) NO. 16/17-47 DATED JANUARY 13, 2017; CFL NO. 16/17-38 DATED DECEMBER 1, 2016; CFL NO. 16/17-33 DATED NOVEMBER 3, 2016; CFL NO. 16/17-13 DATED SEPTEMBER 15, 2016; CFL NO. 15/16-50 DATED MARCH 28, 2015; CFL NO. 15/16-41 DATED JANUARY 25, 2016,](#)

The purpose of this ACL is to provide instructions for submitting updated County Plans that will enable counties to access funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 under the opt-in Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Program set forth in [Welfare & Institutions Code \(WIC\) sections 16524.6- 16524.11](#). Specifically, this ACL provides:

- Background on the CSEC Program to date,
- An allocation methodology for the FY 2017-18 funding,
- Data collection and reporting for the CSEC Program,
- The updated County Plan template and instructions for completion (Attachment I), and
- Child Welfare Directors Association's "How to Spend CSEC Funding" document (Attachment II)

## **Background**

The [Senate Bill \(SB\) 855](#) amended [WIC section 300](#) to clarify under existing law, CSEC whose parents or guardians failed or were unable to protect them may fall within the description of WIC section 300(b) and be adjudged as dependents of the juvenile court. The Legislature also amended WIC (commencing with section 16524.6) to establish a state-funded county opt-in CSEC Program to be administered by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). In order to be eligible for and access the funds under this program, counties are required to annually opt-in by submitting a County Plan and have an Interagency Protocol, as appropriate.

In FY 2015-16, a total of \$10.75 million in state General Funds was allocated to 35 opt-in counties; 13 Tier I counties and 22 Tier II counties (See [County Fiscal Letter \(CFL\) No. 15/16-41](#)). Tier I allocations of \$25,000 were issued to each of the 13 counties in the initial stages of developing an interagency protocol for a total of \$325,000. Tier II allocations provided enhanced funding, totaling \$10.4 million, to the 22 counties that had already taken substantial steps in developing their interagency protocols and had a known CSEC prevalence. Please refer to [CFL No. 15/16-50](#) regarding the FY 2014-15 CSEC Program allocations.

Counties that opted in during FY 2015-16 were automatically opted in for FY 2016-17, and all Tier I level counties, with the exception of Colusa County, moved from Tier I to Tier II level funding. Three new counties, Humboldt, Sutter, and Yuba opted in for the FY 2016-17 CSEC Program. A total of \$16.3 million was allocated to the 38 counties who participated in the CSEC Program in FY 2016-17. Please refer to [CFL No. 16/17-13](#), [CFL No. 16/17-33](#), [CFL No. 16/17-38](#) and [CFL No. 16/17-47](#) regarding the FY 2016-17 CSEC Program allocations.

### **FY 2017-18 CSEC Program**

As California enters the fourth year of the CSEC Program funding cycle, CDSS continues to recognize that program design and implementation takes time and counties need stable funding for an effective, lasting program. To facilitate stability, CDSS requires counties to annually update County Plans, in order to provide counties the ability to reflect on, brainstorm, and provide updated information to the state on the counties' innovative strategies for best serving CSEC. Furthermore, the updated County Plans will be a helpful means for navigating new legislative changes that may impact the implementation of the CSEC Program. California enacted [SB 1322 in 2016](#), which amended [Penal Code sections 647](#) and [653.22, effective January 1, 2017](#), to make crimes of soliciting or engaging in any act of prostitution and loitering with the intent to commit prostitution inapplicable to a child under 18 years of age who engages in such conduct to receive money or other consideration, and instead specifies these children may be adjudged dependent children of the court under the existing WIC Section 300(b)(2) provision. The CDSS encourages counties to utilize the County Plan as a tool to initiate coordinated efforts in response to SB 1322 amongst law enforcement, child welfare and other collaborative partners.

In consultation with the County Welfare Directors Association, all 38 counties participating in the FY 2016-17 CSEC Program will receive at a minimum the same allocation amount in FY 2017-18, contingent upon receipt of the updated County Plans.

If additional funding is available, counties not currently participating who wish to opt-in to the FY 2017-18 CSEC Program may contact the CDSS at [CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov) by September 1, 2017. Funding will be contingent upon submission of a County Plan and an Interagency Protocol as appropriate. For assistance preparing an Interagency Protocol and access to the Memorandum of Understanding Template, please refer to [ACIN No. I-83-16](#).

The electronic copy of the County Plan must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2017, and remitted to [CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov) and a hard copy of the County Plan signed by the Director of the county child welfare services agency must be postmarked by September 1, 2017 and mailed to the address below. Faxes will not be accepted.

California Department of Social Services  
Child Welfare Policy and Program Development Bureau  
CSEC Program  
744 P Street, MS 8-11-87  
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**Data Collection and Reporting for the State CSEC Program**

The CDSS is continuing to collect and evaluate counties' data as it relates to activities and services being implemented within the CSEC Program. Specifically, CDSS analyzes the quantitative data entered in the Child Welfare Services/Case Management System (CWS/CMS) as well as the qualitative data received from County Plans. The CDSS will be partnering with county child welfare departments and county probation departments to address data collection challenges within the CWS/CMS as it relates to the prevalence data. The data collection will be used to gauge where counties are in the implementation process, detect technical assistance needs, identify best practices and inform counties of next steps.

**The CSEC prevalence data will be a significant factor of consideration for the FY 2018-19 CSEC Program allocation methodology.** Therefore, it is critical that CSEC data entered in the CWS/CMS and reported in the County Plans are reflective of actual caseloads.

For information and instructions for CSEC documentation requirements in CWS/CMS, refer to [ACL No. 16-49](#) and [ACL No. 16-74](#).

If you have any additional questions, please contact the Child Trafficking Response Unit, within the Child Welfare Policy and Program Development Bureau, at [CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov) or (916) 651-6160.

Sincerely,

***Original Document Signed By:***

GREGORY E. ROSE  
Deputy Director  
Children and Family Services Division

Attachment

c: CWDA

**Commercially Sexually Exploited Children Program  
County Plan Template  
Fiscal Year 2017-18**

The groundbreaking Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Program is now entering its fourth year of implementation. Once again, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is requiring all opt-in counties to submit an updated County Plan to signal their interest in receiving state funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18. Participating County Child Welfare agencies shall work closely with their partners, including County Probation Departments, to complete the submission.

The CDSS encourages counties to concentrate on a harm reduction informed approach while serving CSEC. Harm reduction “focuses on (1) the prevention of harms associated with a particular behavior rather than prevention of that behavior and (2) the individuals who continue engaging in the problematic behavior despite the harms.”<sup>1</sup> Youth attempting to escape commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) often relapse and return to exploiters because of trauma-bonding and the dynamics of exploitation. Utilizing a harm reduction informed approach when serving CSEC can help strengthen positive relationships and prevent recurring relapses during the recovery process. Therefore, while drafting individual County Plans, counties should keep in mind the benefits of harm reduction while developing protocols and implementing procedures.

The FY 2017-18 CSEC Program allocation is contingent upon receipt of the County Plans. County Plans must be submitted online by September 1, 2017 and hard copies must be postmarked by September 1, 2017. **Additionally, the County Plans and prevalence data from the Child Welfare Services/Case Management System (CWS/CMS) will be reviewed and taken into consideration in the methodology for distribution of funds to counties in FY 2018-19.**

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<sup>1</sup> Kate Walker, California Child Welfare Council, Ending The Commercial Sexual Exploitation Of Children: A Call For Multi-System Collaboration In California (2013)

**1. Basic County Contact Information**

County:
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Please provide contact information for the person who is best positioned to receive emails and disseminate critical information regarding the CSEC Program to the CSEC staff in your county.

Contact Name	
Title	
Email	
Phone Number	

County CSEC Coordinator name (if different from contact above)	
Title	
Email	
Phone Number	

**2. Prevalence Data\***

Counties are required to properly document within the CWS/CMS children and youth who are alleged or suspected to be victims or at risk of CSE (see [ACL No. 16-74](#) and [16-49](#)). Please provide data for the following CSEC categories from July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 and use the following data hierarchy if multiple codes were entered on one case or referral:

1. Victim During Care
2. Victim in Open Case, Not in Foster Care (FC)
3. Victim while Absent Without Leave (AWOL)
4. Victim in Closed Case, Receiving (Rcv) Independent Living Program (ILP) Services (Svcs)
5. Victim Before Care
6. At Risk

CSEC	CSEC	CSEC Victim	CSEC	At Risk**	Other- Please
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Victim During Care	Victim Before Care	in Open Case not in FC	While AWOL	of CSEC	Specify

Additionally, please provide the overall number of youth who were referred to the child abuse hotline with an allegation of CSE and therefore entered in the CWS/CMS with special project code “S-CSEC Referral” between July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017. For clarification on the “S-CSEC Referral” special project code please review [ACL No. 16-74](#).

Number of “S-CSEC Referral”	
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\*Prevalence data for children or youth receiving child welfare services through the County Child Welfare Department. The CDSS understands that County Child Welfare Departments may not have a mechanism to extract CSEC prevalence data from probation. However, Child Welfare Departments are encouraged to consult and work collaboratively with Probation Departments to complete the updated County Plans, including providing Probation prevalence data that illustrates the full picture of CSEC prevalence within counties.

\*\* The “At Risk” definition can be found in [ACL No. 16-85](#).

Please provide the number of victims and at risk children/youth **served to date** (i.e. referrals and open cases as identified through the above CSEC data types) from the start of the CSEC Program (FY 2014-15) to now.

Number of CSEC victims served.	
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Number of children/youth <b>at risk</b> of commercial sexual exploitation served.	
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Describe the capacity in which identified CSEC are served. What types of services, education or outreach are currently in place and being provided?

Serving CSEC

Describe the capacity in which at risk children/youth are served. What types of services, education or outreach are currently in place and being provided?

Serving At Risk Children/Youth

Please describe your county process for using the CSEC Data Grid, including:

- When in the referral process does the social worker input information into the CSEC Data Grid?
- Are abuse subcategories selected when the social worker receives the referral or at the conclusion of the investigation?

Narrative of CSEC Data Grid Process for Social Workers

Please describe how your county's probation officers are entering the same CSEC data for probation youth who are receiving child welfare services.



Narrative of CSEC Data Entry Process for Probation Officers

In order for CDSS to address the system limitations of CWS/CMS and provide appropriate technical assistance, please identify specific challenges relating to CSEC documentation in CWS/CMS for Social Workers.

CWS/CMS Reporting Challenges for Social Workers

In order for CDSS to address the system limitations of CWS/CMS entry for probation, please identify specific challenges relating to CSEC documentation for probation officers.

CWS/CMS Reporting Challenges for Probation Officers

### 3. CSEC Protocol Implementation

Please provide the status of your current county protocol implementation, including successes and challenges regarding protocol implementation.

Narrative of County Protocol Implementation

On September 26, 2016, California enacted [SB 1322](#), which amended [Penal Code sections 647\(b\)](#) and [653.22](#), effective January 1, 2017, to make crimes of soliciting or engaging in any act of prostitution and loitering with the intent to commit prostitution inapplicable to a child under 18 years of age who engages in such conduct to receive money or other consideration and instead specifies these children may be adjudged dependent children of the court. As mandated reporters, law enforcement partners must refer all CSEC victims and youth suspected to be at risk of CSE to the corresponding Child Welfare agency. Please provide a narrative regarding your county's Child Welfare and law enforcement collaborative efforts to address SB 1322 requirements including any efforts to amend Interagency Protocols, future plans, and estimated time of completion.

Collaborative Efforts to Address SB 1322

County Interagency Protocols should be updated to include the provisions of WIC sections [16501.1\(g\)\(19\)](#), [16501.35](#), [16524.8](#) and Penal Code (PC) sections [647](#) and [653.22](#).

Submit a copy of the updated Interagency Protocol along with your County Plan to [CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov) by **September 1, 2017**.

If the Interagency Protocol has not yet been updated, please describe your plan for updating the protocol and indicate anticipated amendments below. Counties must submit an updated version as soon as possible, in accordance with the plan. Amendments that reflect new compliance measures with SB 1322 should be inserted in the next text box.

Interagency Protocol Amendments

**4. The Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) Process**

Are the following listed agencies regular and active participants in your MDTs? (yes/no)

Child Welfare	
Probation	
Public Health	
Mental Health	
Substance Abuse Disorder	

What types of MDT meetings have been held thus far? (i.e. initial, ongoing, immediate/ER, other, please specify)	
Who were the participants (aside from the agencies noted above)?	
What cross system partners have yet to participate in MDTs that would enhance future discussions? (i.e. education, law enforcement, etc.)	
Do the youth and/or family participate in MDT meetings? Why or why not?	
How do you ensure cross county / cross state collaboration in your MDT process when your county identifies an out-of-county / out-of-state child or when	

another county / state identifies a child from your county?	
How is your county currently tracking/collecting MDT data?	

**5. Assessment**

Is your county currently using a specific assessment tool to identify children at risk or a victim of CSE? If yes, which tool are you using? If no, how are you assessing for children at risk or a victim of CSE?	
How has the implementation of this assessment tool been helpful/successful?	
What about this assessment tool has proved challenging? (i.e. over reporting, too long, etc.)	
How has implementing this tool informed your approach to serving victims of CSE?	

**6. Harm Reduction Informed Approaches**

In the context of CSE, a harm reduction approach accepts that youth may continue to be exploited, may be unable or unwilling to leave the exploitative relationship and that any positive change in behavior is valuable in their journey towards leaving the exploiter.

How are harm reduction approaches reflected in the services that your county staff provide to CSEC? Are harm reduction approaches expected or required of the service providers in your county?	
Do service providers (foster care homes/facilities, mental health providers, etc) in your county implement harm reduction informed approaches? If so, please elaborate.	
Are harm reduction informed approaches taken while implementing your MDTs? If so, how? (i.e. holding a MDT while youth is Absence Without Official Leave (AWOL))	

What are your current challenges in implementing this approach locally?	
What other approaches or models has your county and its service providers utilized to serve CSEC?	
Please describe the benefits and challenges your county has experienced for these other approaches or models for serving CSEC.	

### 7. Funding

The CDSS understands that counties statewide are experiencing challenges with expending funds allocated for the CSEC Program. One of the recurring challenges is the extended time required to execute contracts with community service providers and trainers. The CDSS also recognizes there are requests for allocation re-appropriation and there is a need for stabilized funding in order to appropriately budget for on-going specialized CSEC trainings and services. To ensure that the FY 2017-18 CSEC Program allocation methodology is consistent with counties' needs, please elaborate on how funds were spent in FY 2016-17 and spending plans for FY 2017-18 funds. Additionally, what approaches are your county taking to ensure the funds to be fully expended in FY 2017-18?

Please indicate how funds have been spent for the activities listed below for FY 2016-17. Specifically, please describe **in detail** any barriers or circumstances that prevented expending the funds in areas with low or non-existent percentages.

Activities	Percent Spent	Narrative
Specialized SWs/POs (i.e. hiring/training staff) to support CSEC, their caregivers, and the interagency and cross-departmental response		
Other staffing either in the county or via contract (i.e. MDT coordinators, CSE Survivor consultants, peer advocates/survivor advocates, etc.)		

Hiring and/or employment skills training for survivors of CSE		
Outreach, education and training for non-specialized staff, community, youth, etc.		
Funding for victim services (i.e. youth incentives, tattoo removal, physical, educational or mental health/other services, etc.)		
Prevention services (i.e. addressing gang affiliation, homelessness, etc.)		
Supplemental payments to foster caregivers (i.e. payments to keep a bed open, patches to the foster care rate, respite care for providers, etc.		
Ancillary funding (i.e. food for MDT meetings, supplies for MDT meetings, shared facility space, etc.)		
Other- Please explain		

Please indicate how funds will be spent for the activities listed below for FY 2017-18. Specifically, please use the narrative space provided to describe how you plan to alleviate some of the above mentioned barriers your county has been experiencing in relation to spending challenges. Attached is the document “How to Spend CSEC Funding”, drafted by the Child Welfare Directors Association as a means of generating ideas for how your county can support survivors of CSE while utilizing Program funds in FY 2017-18.

Activities	Percent to Spend	Narrative
Specialized SWs/POs (i.e. hiring/training staff) to support CSEC, their caregivers, and the interagency and cross-departmental response		
Other staffing either in the county or via contract (i.e. MDT coordinators, CSE Survivor consultants, peer advocates/survivor advocates, etc.)		
Hiring and/or employment skills training for survivors of CSE		
Outreach, education and training for non-specialized staff, community, youth, etc.		
Funding for victim services (i.e. youth incentives, tattoo removal, physical, educational or mental health/other services, etc.)		
Prevention services (i.e. addressing gang affiliation, homelessness, etc.)		
Supplemental payments to foster caregivers (i.e. payments to keep a bed open, patches to the foster care rate, respite care for providers, etc.)		

Ancillary funding (i.e. food for MDT meetings, supplies for MDT meetings, shared facility space, etc.)		
Other- Please explain		

The CDSS recognizes the need for funding stabilization in order for counties to appropriately budget and plan for the CSEC Program. In order to support the need for on-going funding and re-appropriation of unspent funds, please describe and provide **specific examples** of spending challenges relating to the CSEC Program allocation.

Spending Challenges

### 8. Innovative and/or Promising Practices for FY 2017-18

In the FY 2016-17 County Plans, counties documented several barriers to effectively identify and serve victims and children at risk of CSE. Top barriers included: inadequate placement options, lack of prevention education, and challenges common to collaboration across systems. Many counties have addressed these challenges in unique and often promising ways.

What promising systemic practices have you implemented at the county level to address inadequate placement options?	
What promising systemic practices have you implemented at the county level to address the lack of prevention education?	
What promising systemic practices have you implemented at the county level to address challenges common to collaboration across systems?	
What strategies or support is needed in order to mitigate/remove remaining barriers?	



Counties indicated another challenge involved the identification and development of targeted services for at risk and identified (1) male victims, (2) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual (LGBTQIA) victims, and (3) CSEC victims who exploit other children.

How does your county address the needs of these three distinct populations? Please share your insight and elaborate on county policy changes or practice enhancements being explored.

Addressing the needs of identified and at risk (1) male and (2) LGBTQIA minor victims of CSE

Addressing the needs of identified victims who become exploiters

**9. Missing/Runaway Youth**

With the passage of [SB 794](#), all County Child Welfare agencies and Probation Departments were required to develop and implement specific protocols to expeditiously locate any child missing from foster care. County Child Welfare and Probation Departments are additionally required to immediately, or in no care later than 24 hours from receipt of information, report to local law enforcement any known or suspected instance of commercial sexual exploitation of foster youth.

How does your county currently implement these mandates (i.e. What is your protocol)? Please describe any implementation challenges to these provisions.

Missing/Runaway youth protocols and reporting

How is your county tracking missing/runaway youth qualitative data?

Missing/Runaway youth qualitative data tracking

How is your county tracking missing/runaway youth quantitative data?

Missing/Runaway youth quantitative data tracking

**10. Technical Assistance**

The CDSS Child Trafficking Response Unit will continue providing technical assistance via webinar on a bi-monthly basis. What are some topics of interest that your county would like to see included in an upcoming webinar? (i.e. alleviating barriers to hiring survivors of CSE, harm reduction informed approaches for placement providers, etc.)

Technical Assistance Topics of Interest

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County Child Welfare Director Printed Name and Title

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County Child Welfare Director Signature

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Date

Please submit an electronic copy of your County Plan no later than September 1, 2017 to [CSECPprogram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CSECPprogram@dss.ca.gov). In addition, please send a hard copy of the County Plan, signed by the Director of the County Child Welfare services agency, must be postmarked September 1, 2017 to the address below. Faxes will not be accepted.

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Counties must notify the CDSS if your county falls out of compliance with the provisions of [WIC Sections 16524.6 - 16524.11](#) (i.e., A partner leaves the interagency protocol or multidisciplinary team) or if a county chooses to discontinue the CSEC Program for any reason. Notifications with a detailed explanation must be submitted via email to: [CSECPprogram@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CSECPprogram@dss.ca.gov).



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# Allowable Expenditures for CSEC Funding

Ideas for how your county can support survivors through the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) program

## Direct Supports for Youth

- 24/7 crisis response to youth (may be done by county staff or contract providers)
- Incentive gift cards (small, daily incentives for remaining in placement, completing chores, participating in group, etc.)
- Holistic therapeutic activities (for example: art, yoga, music, dance, animals)
- Funding for time with mental health clinicians that may not be billable (for example: relationship and trust-building time)
- Educational services: tutoring, college tours, internships, etc.
- Vocational services, career exploration: school-to-work programs, internships and leadership activities
- Participation in activities and outings (for example: theme parks or shopping outings)
- Funding for outings during visits with parents/bio family
- Buy car seats, cribs, and other items for infant care
- Tattoo/scar removal
- Specialized education and training related to gang affiliation, financial education, pregnancy/parenting, family planning education, financial education, etc.
- Physical/medical/dental work not otherwise covered by Medi-Cal or other health insurance
- Alcohol and drug treatment (to the extent not Medi-Cal funded)
- Clothing, toiletries, personal items and emergency kits
- Grooming services (hair, nails, etc.) so youth do not have to turn to exploiters to get them
- My Life, My Choice/Word on the Street/GEMS or similar prevention & intervention training delivery to survivors and youth at risk.
- Wraparound services to support reunification with family
- Incidentals to support youth engagement during MDT/CFT meetings (ex. doodle pads)
- Temporary cell phones to facilitate connect to the youth who is a runaway risk, or a new cell phone to replace the cell phone provided by the perpetrator
- Child care (for parenting youth to participate in activities)
- Legal services and children's attorneys- funding for expert witness during trial
- Transportation funding to get youth to and from activities: agency van/car
- Support groups for youth
- Emergency housing/shelter assistance
- Recognition and celebrations for birthdays and important milestones (i.e. program graduations)

## Group Home/STRTP Supports

- Increased rate to group home for services, care, and supervision
- Hold group home bed for youth for up to 2 weeks and pay the provider to keep the bed open
- Pay for extra staff (above typical licensing requirements given intensity of needs)

- Pay for behavior interventionist during key periods of time (like leading up to court date)

**Resource Family Supports**

- Increased rate for resource families for board, care and support
- Regular, ongoing respite for resource families
- 24/7 on call emergency support staff for resource families
- Alarm system installation
- Video doorbell (installed camera at the door)
- Additional caregiver training for CSEC youth
- Transportation assistance
- Support groups for caregivers
- Emergency housing/shelter assistance

**Other Providers**

- Direct service contracts with victim advocacy or anti-trafficking organizations to mentor and support the youth in their recovery.
- Direct service contracts with homeless youth providers to help counties locate and connect to CSEC youth who may be AWOL'ing.
- Direct service contracts with substance abuse residential care providers.
- Mental health clinicians for staff and others working directly with CSEC youth to address secondary trauma
- Contract with a provider to train staff, law enforcement, attorneys, judges, group home staff, resource parents, other providers, etc.
- Contract with a provider (if no other resources available within the county) to provide case consultation regarding CSEC cases as well as provide assistance with secondary trauma
- Fund trauma-informed services through Probation to serve youth housed in the Youth Detention Facility who have been sexually exploited and/or provide prevention education to all youth in the Youth Detention Facility
- Fund certain costs of law enforcement to work with MDTs, coordinate with other law enforcement, locate AWOL youth, etc. (ex: overtime or dedicated LE)

**CSEC Programmatic Supports**

- Specialized CWS staff with reduced caseloads to engage with youth and their families, and team-based staffing to provide 24/7 support to youth
- Hire/Invite CSEC survivors to implement training and/or serve as peer support
- CSEC coordinator to facilitate multi-disciplinary team meetings
- Deliver trauma-informed care trainings for county staff, MDT members, caregivers etc.
- Community outreach, education, and prevention campaigns (for example: bus ads, billboards, general education/awareness)
- Staff time to develop and oversee inter-agency protocols and coordinate with other system providers (Probation, Mental Health, LE, Education, etc.)
- Dedicated Public Health Nurse to provide health education, pregnancy prevention, linkage to sexual education and services for all foster children including CSEC.

- Dedicated staff for youth who AWOL to locate and stay with the youth until they can be safely returned to a foster care placement.
- Parent/caregiver education and support classes for those with children who have been commercially sexually exploited.
- Advanced engagement and case management training for social workers, probation officers, and clinicians.
- Recurring preventative training for foster youth (age 10 and up)

**Claiming Instructions:**

CFL 16/17-73 contains claiming instructions and other examples of activities you may claim for using your CSEC funds: [http://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/CFL/2016-17/16-17\\_73.pdf](http://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/CFL/2016-17/16-17_73.pdf)