

CWS/CMS Release Notes

Release 6.6

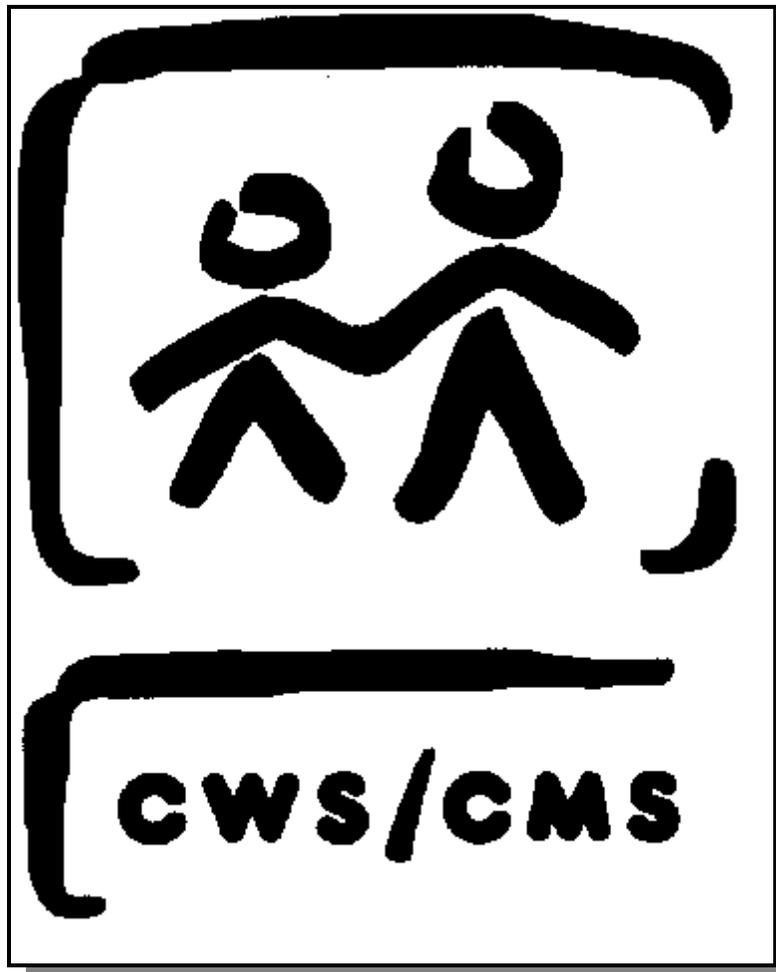


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Introduction

This document, *CWS/CMS Release Notes*, outlines all changes to the Child Welfare System/Case Management System (CWS/CMS) that will be implemented in Release 6.6. All information in this document is outlined in the following format:

System and Training Tool Changes

Each System Change Request (SCR) is listed by the application/category and is listed in numerical order. The following sub-headings are used to explain the SCR changes in more detail:

- What has changed?

This text is a high level overview describing the background of what has been changed in the CWS/CMS.

- Where is the change?

This text describes the specific area of the application, menu, command, section, notebook, page, and field where the change can be found.

- Why was the change implemented?

This text briefly describes what issues led to implementation of the change. For high impact items, the SCR description will be accompanied by a series of “Show Me” - visual screen-shots outlining high level changes that will take place with the upcoming Release.

CWS/CMS Application Areas

- ✓ Case Management
- ✓ Client Management
- ✓ Court Management
- ✓ Placement Management
- ✓ Resource Management Application
- ✓ SOC 158 Application
- ✓ Auxiliary Areas
- ✓ CAD Areas

Case Management

SCR 8461 – AB 12 Extended Foster Care

What has changed?

This system change request includes the following changes:

- A new Service Component of “Supportive Transition” has been added.
- Three new Case Closure Reasons will be added. The values are “NMD Eligible for Reentry”, “NRLG Eligible for Reentry”, and “Age Limit Exit”.
- A new Case Plan Goal of “Permanent Connections for Independence” has been added.
- Three new Suspension Reasons have been added. The new values are “NMD Reentry as 300”, “NMD Reentry as 450”, and “Nonminor Non-related Legal Guard Reentry”.
- The Special Projects notebook has been updated so that special projects entered into the system at the state level can be made available for use statewide by all counties.

Where is the change?

The following changes have been made:

- Case info Notebook – Service Component Page

A new Service Component of “Supportive Transition” has been added. The value is disabled if the client is under the age of 17 years 5 months.

- Case Plan Notebook – CP Participants Page, Case Plan Goal and Permanency Alternative/Concurrent Planning fields

A new Case Plan Goal value of “Permanent Connections for Independence” has been added. The new case plan goal of “Permanent Connections for Independence” is disabled if a client is under the age of 17 years 5 months.

- End Case Notebook

Three new Case Closure Reasons have been added. The values are “NMD Eligible for Reentry”, “NRLG Eligible for Reentry”, and “Age Limit Exit”. The new Case Closure Reasons are disabled if the client is under 18 years.

- Reopen/Suspend Case Dialog

Three new Reasons for Suspension have been added. The values are “NMD Reentry as 300”, “NMD Reentry as 450”, and “Nonminor Non-related Legal Guard Reentry”. The new Suspension Reasons are disabled if the client is less than 18 years in age.

In the Service Component Following the Suspension Period field, the new Service Component “Supportive Transition” is disabled if the client is less than 17 years 5 months in age.

- Case Info Notebook – ID Page

The new Suspension Reason values of “NMD Reentry as 300”, “NMD Reentry as 450”, and “Nonminor Non-related Legal Guard Reentry” are disabled unless the client is 18 years or older.

- Case Info Notebook – Spec Proj Page

New statewide Special Project codes will be available for selection if they have been entered by a State Administrator.

Why was the change implemented?

Assembly Bill (AB) 12 implements a provision in federal statute Public Law 110-351 which allows states the option of extending foster care up to age 21. It is essential for the system to be capable to handle the documentation of nonminor dependent needs for extended foster care in the CWS/CMS application, as these cases are eligible for federal financial participation.

Client Management

SCR 8461 – AB 12 Extended Foster Care

What has changed?

This SCR includes the following changes:

- A new Aid Code Type table value of 4T has been added.
- A case document has been updated to include the new Aid Code value.

Where is the change?

The following changes have been made:

- Client Notebook – ID Num Page
A new Aid Code Type table value of 4T has been added.
- Financial/Medical Plan (for ICPC 100A)

This document has been updated to include the new Aid Code value “4T”. If the new value is selected for the report generated, the checkbox “The child listed above IS eligible” will be checked in the report.

Why was the change implemented?

Assembly Bill (AB) 12 implements a provision in federal statute Public Law 110-351 which allows states the option of extending foster care up to age 21 and to draw down IV-E money for Kin-GAP and AAP. It is essential for the system to be capable to handle the documentation of nonminor dependent needs for extended foster care in the CWS/CMS application, as these cases are eligible for federal financial participation.

Court Management

SCR 8461 – AB 12 Extended Foster Care

What has changed?

The CWS/CMS application has been modified as follows:

- Two new Hearing Type values of “391 Termination of Jurisdiction” and “388(e) Reentry” have been added.
- Two local reports have been updated.

Where is the change?

- Hearing Notebook, Minors Page

The two new Hearing Types “391 Termination of Jurisdiction” and “388(e) Reentry” have been added for selection in the Hearing Type field.

- Notice of Petition Hearing

This report mapping has been updated to include the two new hearing types in the group of hearings that print “A Hearing will be held” in the report.

- Ex Parte Application and Order

When Ex Parte Application and Order is generated from the new hearing types, the “most recent hearing date” statement in the court hearing history paragraph will map any data associated with the new hearing types. In addition, the “next hearing is calendared on” statement will include a hearing name and date when available.

- Legal Authorization for Placement Dialog

If the Legal Authorization for Placement is “Not Yet Determined” and the hearing type is Detention or Detention/Arraignment, and the user invokes the Legal Authorization for Placement Dialog from the button on the Results page of the Hearing Notebook:

- ♦ The new Legal Authority for Placement values of “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, “NMD - WIC 602” will be disabled if the client selected is less than 18 years old.
- ♦ When selecting a Legal Authorization for Placement of “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, or “NMD - WIC 602” before selecting a client, all clients less than 18 years old will be disabled in the Available Minor list.

- Reminders

Review Hearing Notice Due now includes the two new hearing types 388(e) and 391.

Why was the change implemented?

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Placement Management

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What has changed?

The CWS/CMS application has been modified as follows:

- Four new Legal Authorization for Placement values have been added. They are “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, “NMD - WIC 602”, and “Probate NRLG”.
- A new Reason for Removal value of “Voluntary Reentry” has been added.

Where is the change?

The following changes have been made:

- Placement Notebook– Child Removal Info Page

A new Reason for Removal of “Voluntary Reentry” has been added. The new code value is disabled if the client is less than 18 years old.

- Placement Notebook – ID Page and Non-CWD Page

Four new Legal Auth. for Placement values have been added. They are “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, “NMD - WIC 602”, and “Probate NRLG”. The new values “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, “NMD - WIC 602” are disabled if a client is less than 18 years old.

- Placement Home Notebook – Spec Proj Page

New statewide Special Project codes will be available for selection if they have been entered by a State Administrator.

Why was the change implemented?

Assembly Bill (AB) 12 implements a provision in federal statute Public Law 110-351 which allows states the option of extending foster care up to age 21. It is essential for

the system to be capable to handle the documentation of nonminor dependent needs for extended foster care in the CWS/CMS application, as these cases are eligible for federal financial participation.

Resource Management Application

SCR 8461 – AB 12 Extended Foster Care

What has changed?

The CWS/CMS application has been modified as follows:

- The Special Projects Notebook has been updated so that Special Projects entered into the system at the state level can be made available for use statewide by all counties.
- Only State Administrators can add, modify and delete Statewide Special Project codes.

Where is the change?

The following changes have been made:

- Special Projects Notebook – ID Page

A new value of “Statewide” will be included in the County field on the ID page of the Special Projects notebook.

Why was the change implemented?

To provide the ability to enter a Statewide Special Project code that can be used statewide.

SOC 158 Application

SCR 8461 – AB 12 Extended Foster Care

What has changed?

The CWS/CMS application has been modified as follows:

- Four new Legal Authorization for Placement values have been added. They are “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, “NMD - WIC 602”, and “Probate NRLG”.

- A new Case Plan Goal of “Permanent Connections for Independence” has been added.

Where is the change?

The following changes have been made:

- SOC 158 Placement Notebook – ID Page

The new Legal Authorization for Placement values of “NMD - WIC 300”, “NMD - WIC 450”, “NMD - WIC 602” are disabled if a client is less than 18 years old.

- SOC158 Placement Notebook – Services Page

The new Case Plan Goal of “Permanent Connections for Independence” is disabled if a client is under the age of 17 years 5 months.

Why was the change implemented?

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Auxiliary Areas

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What has changed?

- Eight Program Management Reports have been modified to accommodate the new Service Component Type code table value of “Supportive Transition”.
 - ♦ Children in Foster Care Status in Order of County Caseload Size (FCI544)
 - ♦ FM/FR/PP/ST Begin of Month, Starts, Terms, End And Average Case Months (FCI561)
 - ♦ Age Distribution By Service Component: Active and Terminated Cases (PMAGEDIS)
 - ♦ Average Case Days/Months By Service Component (PMAVGCDM)
 - ♦ Investigated Referrals and Cases Opened During Period With Prior Referrals or Cases (PMCOWPC)
 - ♦ Gender, Ethnicity, & Language of Case Children (PMGEL)

- ◆ Subsequent Reports of Abuse on Active Cases (PMREABUS)
- ◆ Sibling Placement Statistics by Service Component (PMSIBPLC)
- One Program Management Report has been modified to accommodate the new Case Closure Reason Type code table values of “NMD Eligible for Reentry”, “NRLG Eligible for Reentry”, and “Age Limit Exit”.
 - ◆ Preplacement Preventive Services ER & FM Activity (SOC291)
- Two Program Management Reports have been modified to accommodate the new Goal Type code table value of “Permanent Connections for Independence” (rq04).
 - ◆ Case Plan Goal Characteristics (PMCSGOAL)
 - ◆ Characteristics of Children By Case Plan Goal (PMFIC583)
- Two Program Management Reports have been modified to accommodate the new Reason for Removal code table values of “Voluntary Reentry”.
 - ◆ Foster Care Case Terminations By Reason For Termination and Reason For Removal From Home and Foster Care Case Transfers (FCI542)
 - ◆ AFCARS Foster Care Data Analysis (PMAFCARF)
- In addition, there are 26 Project Management Reports that use the new code table values. These reports will continue to function with the addition of the new code table values. Depending on the report, the new values will be listed for reporting, reported in an unknown or other category, or will be bypassed. These reports are listed below:
 - ◆ FCI511 – Foster Care Case Load Movement
 - ◆ FCI514 – Type of Placement Facility by Average AFDC-FC Basic Facility Rates and Special Care Increments
 - ◆ FCI540 – Legal Authority for Children in Placement by Location
 - ◆ FCI570 – Children with Adoption Case Goals
 - ◆ FCI584 – Characteristics of Children by Reason for Removal from Home
 - ◆ FCILSP – Foster Care Children Aged 15 ½ or Greater
 - ◆ PM2GENCS – Two Generation Case Statistics by Service Component
 - ◆ PMCRPTIM – Court Report Timeliness Report
 - ◆ PMCRTCAL – Court Calendar Report
 - ◆ PMICPC – ICPC Cases
 - ◆ PMETHWRK – Ethnicity Report for Case Worker
 - ◆ PMFMALRT – Family Maintenance Alert
 - ◆ PMFMGT12 – FM Cases Opened More Than 12 Months
 - ◆ PMFMREMR – Family Maintenance Removal Rate
 - ◆ PMFRALRT – Family Reunification Alert
 - ◆ PMFRDPAD – Children Freed Pending Adoption

- ◆ PMFRXDUR – FR Cases Exceeding Duration Limits
- ◆ PMHRGOUT – Hearing Outcome Report
- ◆ PMLLCLOS – List of Children in Closing Foster Homes
- ◆ PMNOTCHG – Notice of Change in Foster Home Placement
- ◆ PMOICPC – Outgoing ICPC Cases
- ◆ PMPLACRT – Placement Stability Rates
- ◆ PMPRICAR – Primary Caretaker Statistics of ER and FM Cases
- ◆ PMSUBAPP – Substance Abuse as a Presenting Problem Statistic
- ◆ SOC291DT – Detail SOC291
- ◆ WI16512 – W & I 16512 Child Welfare Services Report

Where is the change?

- Program Management Report

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CAD Areas

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What has changed?

- Modifications have been made to the CAD Business Objects Universes to translate additional code values for the purposes of reporting on instances of extended foster care. Eight CAD code tables have been modified, resulting in changes to objects in both the Case and Referral Universes.

Where is the change?

- Eight code tables have been modified and the changes reflected in the Case and Referral Universes where applicable.

Why was the change implemented?

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for extended foster care in the CWS/CMS application, as these cases are eligible for federal financial participation.