



**WESTSIDE**  
REGIONAL CENTER

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RE: Medicaid Integrity Vendor Requirements

Dear Service Provider:

Back on March 24, 2011, the Governor signed Senate Bill 74 (SB 74) which enacted various new requirements for the developmental disability system. One of the statutes was the addition of Section 4648.12 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, which specifically states:

“And individual, partnership, group association, corporation, institution, or entity, and the officers, directors, owners, managing employees, or agents thereof, that has been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor involving fraud or abuse in any government program, or related to neglect or abuse of an elder or dependent adult or child, or in connection with the interference with, or obstruction of, any investigation into health care related fraud or abuse, or that has been found liable for fraud or abuse in any civil proceeding, or that has entered into a settlement in lieu of conviction for fraud or abuse in any government program, within the previous 10 years, shall be ineligible to be a regional center vendor.”

This new section charged the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to adopt emergency regulations pertaining to the implementation of this new law. DDS promulgated emergency regulations which became effective on December 27, 2011. Among the requirements of these regulations is that all regional center vendors must submit a Disclosure Statement, form DS 1891, within 120 days of the emergency regulations becoming effective. Thus, **all vendors must return the completed DS 1891 form to the regional center by April 25, 2012. Please note that a separate DS 1891 is required for each vendor number.** Additionally, all regional centers must review and verify the submitted forms no later than July 1, 2012. **If you do not complete and return this form, WRC will not be able to authorize or make payments for your services.**

We are requesting that you review and complete the DS 1891 form as soon as possible and return the form attention to Mary Lou Weise-Stusser, Director of Community Services. WRC has provided an electronic form on our website: [www.westsiderc.org](http://www.westsiderc.org) . If you have questions regarding this form, please direct your inquiries by email only to [Info@WestsideRC.org](mailto:Info@WestsideRC.org) .

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, and for your continued services to individuals with developmental disabilities.

Respectfully,

Mary Lou Weise-Stusser, M.A.  
Director of Community Services and  
Quality Assurance

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