

<b>HUMAN RESOURCES MEMORANDUM 96-034</b>		DATE ISSUED: 12/10/1996
SUBJECT: <b>EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FRAUD/AUDIT PROGRAM AND BENEFITS FRAUD HOTLINE</b>		REFERENCE: None
TO: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT; Attendance Clerks		SUPERCEDES: None

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT THIS INFORMATION IS SHARED WITH YOUR EMPLOYEES**

The Department of Personnel Administration (DPA) is implementing a new program called the Employee Benefits Fraud/Audit Program. The program's goals are to develop ongoing fraud/audit function for State Benefits; provide information to employees and retirees, line departments and control agencies on enrollments, standards and audit programs; ensure that the enrollment of non-eligibles is monitored; and provide training and consultation to staff who administer State benefit programs.

The following 800 number has been established to assist employees and retirees in reporting inappropriate dependent enrollments and other improper activity related to State benefit programs.

- Benefits Fraud Hotline 1-800-237-4324

Information obtained through the Benefits Fraud Hotline will be used to identify and correct cases of fraudulent or inappropriate enrollments. All contacts to the Employee Benefits Fraud/Audit Program are strictly confidential; callers may remain anonymous.

The Benefit Fraud Officer will work in cooperation with the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), State Controller's Office (SCO), Bureau of State Audits, line departments, department employees, retirees, and concerned citizens, etc., to identify and correct cases of inappropriate enrollment in State benefit programs.

As this program progresses, more information will be shared with State employees.

Questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to your assigned Personnel Services Specialist or Supervisor.

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