

FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
Title 17, California Code of Regulations
Division 2, Department of Developmental Services

(a) Description of the Public Problem, Administrative requirement or Other Condition or Circumstances the Regulations are Intended to Address

Currently, the Department offers voucher services to consumers and/or to their families. The federal government is requiring the use of a financial management service provider when participating in the funding of voucher services. These voucher services, along with the new Community-based Training Program for Adults, will be known as Participant-Directed Services.

The Department proposes to adopt Section 58883 to Title 17, California Code of Regulations (CCR) in order to give regional centers authority to vendor family members and consumers for Participant-Directed Services. This amendment will be consistent with federal requirements, and assure continuation of federal financial participation funding.

Section 58883. Meaning of Words.

Specific Purpose:

This proposal of new section 58883 is needed to effectuate the usual meaning of words, specifically “may” and “shall.”

Rationale for Necessity:

This section is needed to clarify the Meaning of Words.

Effect on Small Business:

The Department has determined that the proposed regulations will not adversely affect small businesses. The proposed regulations do not change any current business requirements for financial management services.

Local Mandate and Fiscal Impact Determinations:

The department has determined that the proposed regulatory action does not impose: 1) a mandate on local agencies or school districts, 2) significant costs or savings to any state agency, 3) costs to any local agency or school district that must be reimbursed in accordance with Government Code sections 17500 through 17630, 4) other nondiscretionary costs or savings imposed on local agencies, or 5) costs or savings in federal funding to the state.

Economic Impact and Business Assessment:

Based on the Department’s findings it is anticipated that the proposed action will have no economic effect on the creation of new jobs and new businesses within the state, nor on the expansion of businesses currently doing business within the State of California. The Department has also determined this proposed action will not eliminate jobs or existing businesses. The Department has determined that the proposed regulations will not have: 1) a significant statewide adverse

economic impact directly affecting businesses in other states, or 2) a significant effect on housing cost. The Department is not aware of any cost impact that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

Alternatives:

The Department has determined that no reasonable alternative has been identified and brought to its attention that would be more effective in carrying out the purposes for which the action has been proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action.