

September 24, 2026

Important notice from the Department of Developmental Services about:

FUNCTIONAL OPERATIONS STAFFING SURVEY

D-2026-Reporting Requirements-005

What to Know

California law says the Department must share information with the public about regional center staffing. This directive includes:

- A letter to regional centers telling them what staffing information is needed.
- Instructions for the regional centers to complete a survey by October 15, 2026.

The Department makes the information available to the Legislature and on the Department's website by February 1st of each year.

What's Changing

This letter does not change how individuals or families receive services.

Questions?

Regional center questions about this directive should be directed to their primary liaison in the Community Operations Branch.

Learn More

The February 2026 report is [here](https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/SupplementalBudgetReport_2026.pdf): (https://www.dds.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/SupplementalBudgetReport_2026.pdf).

Learn more about [Welfare and Institutions Code section 4437](#) on the California Legislative Information webpage.

