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RE: Public Records Act Request

Dear Mr. Allenby:

Pursuant to the Public Records Act, Government Code § 6250, *et seq.*, we request copies of all public records, including memoranda, correspondence, reports, electronic transmissions, or other writings as defined in Government Code § 6252, subdivision (e) regarding the legal status of CDDS clients under the age of 18. For purposes of this request, "children" means any individual under the age of 18.

Specifically, we seek the following information:

1. The most recent summary data regarding children under juvenile court jurisdiction pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code § 602, and who have been diagnosed as developmentally disabled and are receiving services from the state and the Regional Centers, who have been classified as having involvement with the juvenile justice system, broken down, if possible by the following categories. (If these are not the categories used by DDS, please advise me as to the appropriate categories used):
 - a. children who are on probation,
 - b. children who are held in secure facilities (including county juvenile halls or state Department of Juvenile Justice facilities),
 - c. children who are held in non-secure placements,
 - d. children who are on parole,
 - e. children who are classified as on "diversion" (including placements secured through the Regional Centers, non-wardship probation, deferred entry of judgment and informal supervision) from the juvenile justice system.
2. For the children identified in #1, a statistical breakdown by their county of origin.



3. For the children identified in #1, a statistical breakdown by their diagnosed disability and/or disabilities.

We look forward to your response within the ten-day time frame mandated by Government Code § 6253. We are a not-for-profit legal services organization and do not charge our clients for our services. We therefore request a waiver of any copying charges.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, feel free to contact me at (415) 543-3379 ext. 3910. Please forward this request to any and all persons in your office or at the Regional Centers who can assist in complying with this request. I thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Corene Kendrick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent loop at the end of the last name.

Corene Kendrick
Staff Attorney