New Hire Reporting

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What is New Hire Reporting?

Employers Report Newly Hired Employees

- To the Division of Child Support
- Within 20 Days of Employment
- □ The Division of Child Support Compares Reports to Case Data
 - Must Perform the Match Quickly
 - Must Forward the Data to the Federal (Child Support) Case Registry
 - Does Not Keep or Store the Unmatched Data
- □ The Division of Child Support Uses the Matched Data:
 - To Initiate Wage Withholding to Collect Child Support
 - To Help Insure Kids

New Hire Reporting

□ DCS Shares the Data in order to:

- Detect and stop fraudulent benefit payments
 - Public Assistance
 - Unemployment Insurance (ESD)
 - □ Workers' Compensation (L&I)

□ New Hire is a Federal and State Mandate

- Fed Law is 42 USC 653A and Title IV, Sec.
 453A of the Social Security Act
- WA State Statute is RCW 26.23.040
- WAC 388-14A-8200



□ Who Must Report?

- All employers in Washington state
 - □ Indian tribes are exempt by federal law.

Information Reported

- Employee Name, Address, SSN & DOB
- Employer Name, Address & FEIN
 - □ FEIN info: call 800-829-4933



New Hire Reporting Methods

- □ Internet: <u>www.childsupportonline.wa.gov</u>
- □ Mail: Reports, Diskettes or Tape
- □ Fax: 800-782-0624
- □ Phone: 800-562-0479
- □ Questions? Call 800-562-0479

□ When to Report:

- Federal Law requires New Hires to be reported within 20 days of the date of hire or rehire
- If you do business in two or more states, you can report all new hires to one state
- You must register with the National New Hire Program.

Penalties

- Penalty for failure to report as required
 - □ \$25 per month per employee
 - □ \$500 if conspiracy between employer and employee



What Does DCS Do with New Hire Data?

□ When New Hire Data is Received DCS has:

- Five days to enter the data into their system
- **Two** days to conduct a match and complete -==== withholding actions
- Three days to forward New Hire information to the National Directory of New Hires (NDNH)
- If there is a match, DCS sends notice to employer

New Hire Compliance Rate

- □ Current Compliance Rate is About 50%
 - Compare Federal quarterly New Hire data to previous quarter's Employment Security data
 - ESD quarterly run vs. New Hire hit on NCP/IA
 - Data problems include different addresses for same employer, multiple FEIN's

Compliance Rate Increase

- □ What's Being Done to Increase Compliance?
 - Outreach: Seminars, Partnerships, TV/Radio PSAs
 - Employer liaisons in each field office
 - SEO contact with employers
 - Contact employers who do not report as required
 - Collaborative efforts with ESD & L&I
 - Need funding to increase marketing/outreach of program to employers

