



**County of San Bernardino  
Department of Behavioral Health**

**INFORMATION NOTICE 11-14(R)**


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**Date** 12/21/2011

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**To** Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) Contract Agencies, Vendors and Proposed Contractors

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**From** Allan Rawland, MSW, ACSW, Director 

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**Subject** E-Verify Program For County Contractors- **RETRACTION**

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**Introduction** In September 2011, the Department of Behavioral Health issued Information Notice 11-14 that required all County contractors to certify employment eligibility on newly hired employees, directly assigned to County contracts, by using the Federal Internet-based employment eligibility verification E-Verify system. Due to a change in state law, the County determined E-Verify participation is voluntary, not required.

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**Retraction** Effective immediately, this notice rescinds the previously issued IN 11-14 informing of the requirement for all County contractors to register with the E-Verify Program implemented on September 1, 2011.

On January 1, 2012, State Law (AB1236 - Employment Acceleration Act) prohibits the state, counties, cities, and special districts from requiring private employers to use the E-Verify Program. AB1236 does not prohibit the use of E-Verify; rather it prohibits local governments from requiring the use of E-Verify by private employers.

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**Reference** [California Assembly Bill 1236](#)  
County Purchasing Memo 11/10/2011

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**Questions** Questions regarding this information notice may be directed to the DBH Office of Compliance at (909) 382-3195 or (909) 382-3083 or via email [Compliance\\_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov](mailto:Compliance_Questions@dbh.sbcounty.gov).

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