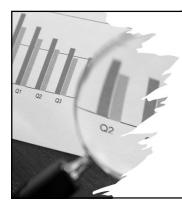
# **Collections Reporting Template** Training and Information Session

June 26, 2024

Judicial Council, Funds and Revenues Unit

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Training Goals
Review reporting requirement and data elements

- Online Ability to Pay (ATP) collections information
- Review components of Collections Reporting Template (CRT)
- Discuss 2023-24 reporting process
- Discuss the importance of reporting good, clean data
- Walk-through of CRT in Excel

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# **Reporting Requirement**

### Statutes:

### Penal Code § 1463.010:

Each superior court and county to jointly report to the Judicial Council, information requested, on reporting template (CRT) on or before September 1.

Judicial Council report annually, on or before December 31, to the Legislature and the Department of Finance all information required to be collected and reported pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 68514 of the Government Code.

# Government Code § 68514 (a):

(1) Total non-delinquent with those collections.

(2) Total delinquent revenue collected, and the number of cases associated with those collections, as reported by each superior court and county pursuant to section 1463.010 of the Penal Code.

(3) Total amount of fines and fees dismissed, discharged, or satisfied by means other than payment.

(4) A description of the collection activities used pursuant to section 1463.007 of the Penal Code.

(5) The total amount collected per collection activity.

(6) The total number of cases by collection activity and the total number of individuals associated with those cases.

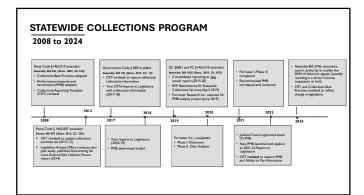
(7) Total operating costs per collection activity.

(9) The precing of fines or fees that are defaulted on.

(9) The extent to which each court or county is meeting the collections best practices and performance measures and benchmarks, developed pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 1463.010 of the Penal Code, for its collection program.

(10) Any changes necessary to improve the performance of collection program statewide.

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# **Assembly Bill 2746**

- AB 2746 eliminated the hold/suspension of driver's licenses for failure to appear effective January 1, 2023.
- Impacted one of the collection activities in PEN § 1463.007 and reporting on the CRT.
- CRT modifications for 2023-24 report.

# **Proposed Changes**

- Update Collections Best Practices
- Combine PEN 1463.007 collections activities
- · Standardize discharge process

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### **Collections Activities Combined**

**Proposed** combining of collections activities to four (4) categories :

- 1. Internal Collection Program (Court or County)\*
- a. Initial contact (phone, mail, in-person/counter)
  b. Skip tracing (initial and ongoing, at anytime in the process)
  c. Wage/bank garnishments and liens
- $2. \quad \text{Franchise Tax Board Court-Ordered Debt (FTB-COD) program } \\$
- 3. Franchise Tax Board Court-Interagency Intercept Collections (FTB-IIC) program
- 4. Private Agency

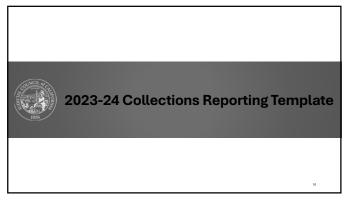


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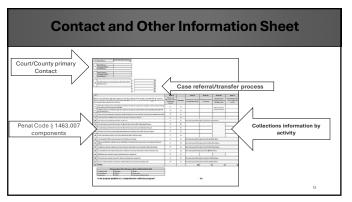
### Poll #1

If collections activities were combined into four (4) categories, is your program's system capable of providing complete, accurate data?

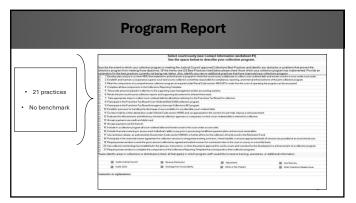
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- b. No

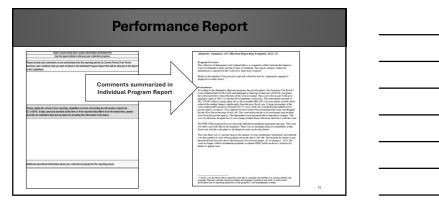


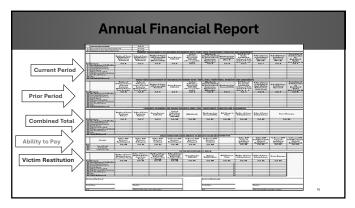




# Poll #2 Our program developed a methodology (i.e., workaround) that differs from the CRT Instructions to report on the amount collected and costs by collections activity. a. Yes b. No c. Reporting zero for collections activities







Date Elements

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- Report revenue collected for nondelinquent and delinquent cases and the associated number of cases.
- Report the number of cases with payments received, not the number of payments.
- All collections information should be separated by period.
- All collections information not separated by period should be reported in Prior Period.

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### **Costs**

- Authorized by PEN § 1463.007
- Program must comply with PEN § 1463.010(b)
- Program must meet 10 of 16 collections activities
- Program must separately track and report delinquent revenue
- Guidelines and Standards for Cost Recovery

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## **Adjustments**

- Include only court-ordered suspensions, dismissals, and alternative payments such as community service or post sentence service of time in custody in lieu of fine, or other non-cash adjustments that occurred during the reporting period.
  - May include ability to pay reduced amounts and administrative fees repealed or vacated because of legislative change.

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# Discharge

- Discharge is authorized and approved by responsible collecting entity (Government Code \$ 25257 and \$ 25259.7)
- ${\boldsymbol{\cdot}}$  Discharge relieves collecting entity of obligation to actively pursue the debt.
- Discharge  $\mbox{\bf does}$   $\mbox{\bf not}$  relieve individual of obligation to pay debt amount owed.
- Discharge score (metric) is impacted by residual outstanding balance.
- Discharged cases may be referred to FTB-IIC.
- Report payments on discharged case as revenue in Column E, and the same value (not case balance) should be reported in Column C. One (1) case should be reported in Columns B and D.

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### Poll #3

Our program processes outstanding delinquent debt for discharge from accountability when there has been no collections activity on case for:

- a. Less than 5 years
- b. Between 5 and 10 years
- c. More than 10 years
- d. No discharge process in place

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## Ability to Pay (ATP) Program

- Programs  $\mathbf{may}$   $\mathbf{not}$  charge a defendant an administrative fee for payment plans on nondelinquent and delinquent accounts, for an online or in-person (paper form) abilityto-pay determination request.
- Programs may claim costs associated with ATP installment payment plans (GOV  $\$  68645):
- Nondelinquent: claim up to \$35 (PEN 1463.007(d)) per approved payment plan Delinquent: recover costs, up to actual, per regular collections practices (PEN §

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# Reporting Administrative Costs

### **Collections Reporting Template (CRT):**

Report costs recovered, up to actual, per normal collections practices.

### Cost Recovery Report Template (CRRT):

Report costs recovered, up to \$35, per approved payment plan (PEN1463.007(d))

# **Collections Reporting Template**

Report nondelinquent, delinquent, and combined revenue totals collected from ALL online and in-person (paper form) ATP determination requests:

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# **Collections Reporting Template (cont'd)**

Report the number of cases and costs claimed for ALL nondelinquent cases, from Online and In-Person (paper form) ATP determination requests:

Online ATP Cases w/ Installment Payments: Nondelinquent	Online ATP Installment Costs Claimed: Nondelinquent	In-Person ATP Cases w/ Installment Payments: Nondelinquent	In-Person ATP Installment Costs Claimed: Nondelinquent
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# Cost Recovery Report Template (CRRT)

- CRRT is a different report, submitted monthly to Branch Accounting and Procurement (BAP).
- Cost calculated at the maximum \$35 rate.

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### Poll #4

A collections program may recover costs of up to \$35 for ATP cases per:

- a. Court-approved extension on payment due date.
- b. Court-approved installment payment plan.
- c. Court-approved reduction of outstanding balance.

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### **Victim Restitution**

- Distribution of VR payments is first priority, under PEN 1203.1(d).
- Collection of VR is Probation Dept., or court responsibility, generally.
- Report VR **only** in this section of AFR:

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County Collection Program			
Private Agency			
FTB Court-Ordered Debt			
FTB Interagency Intercept Collection			
Intra-Branch Program			
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# Categories

- **16** The number of collections activities required under PEN 1463.007.
- **9** The number of categories created to simplify GOV 68514 reporting requirements.
- **4** The *proposed* number of categories, reduced based on reporting limitations.

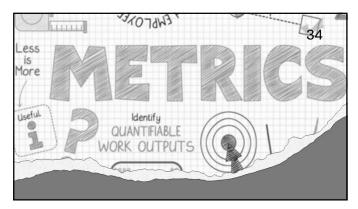
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# Quality Checklist

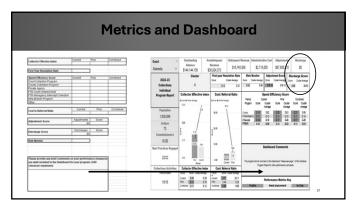
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- Useful self-auditing tool.

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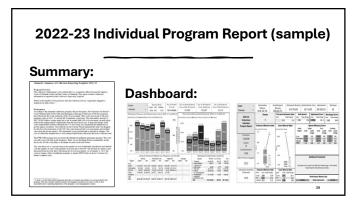


	Measure	Definition	Formula
	Collector Effective Index (CEI)	Percentage of case referrals with payment received versus total referrals of that age, Current and Prior Period.	Number of cases with payment recieved (n)  Number of cases referred (n)
Performance Metrics:	First-year Resolution Rate (FYR)	Percentage of "current" period referral balance resolved within the first year.	$1 = (\frac{\text{Change in Value(current)}}{\text{Value of Cases established referred transfered (current)}}$
	Spend Efficiency Score (SES)	Number of dollars spent to collect su in delinquent referrals for the various programs.	Cost of Collections <sub>ps</sub> Gross Revenue Collected <sub>ps</sub>
	Cost to Referral Ratio	Average dollars spent per referral, of a specific age, Current and Prior Period.	Cost of Collections (n)  Number of Cases Established (n)

	Measure	Definition	Formula	
	Adjustment Score	Represents the dollar value of adjustments against the total referral balance.	Adjustments (Combined)  Value of Cases Beginning Balance (Combined) x 1000	
Normalizing Metrics:	Discharge Score	Represents the dollar value of discharges against the total referral balance.	Discharge from Accountability (Combined)  Value of Cases Beginning Balance (Combined) x 1000	
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# **PMB Takeaways**

- Metrics use <u>only</u> CRT data
- · No specified benchmarks
- · Clean data may improve performance averages
- Recording of PMB trainings available online.

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# Reminders and updates...

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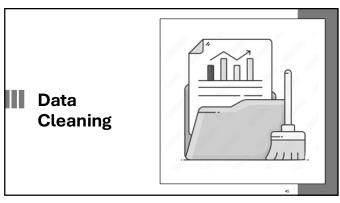
# Any remaining fees repealed by statute should be dismissed or vacated and reported in CRT as Adjustments. A collecting entity cannot continue to collect fees repealed by law.

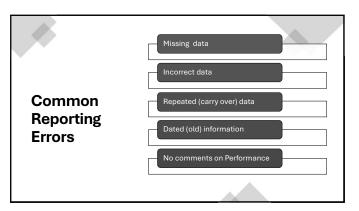
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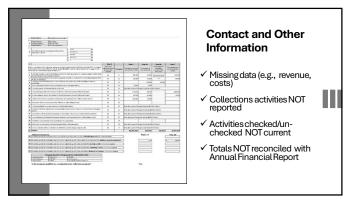
# **Private Collection Agencies**

- AllianceOne
- Financial Credit Network (FCN)
- Harris & Harris
- Integral Recoveries
- Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP
- Penn Credit
- Transworld Systems, Inc. (TSI)

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