

COMPLIANCE BULLETIN

Fresno County Behavioral Health

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POLICY NOTICE

- ❖ Policy Being Summarized
Human Trafficking Notice
- ❖ CB-Human Trafficking
Notice
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Current California law says certain businesses like airports, train stations, bus stations, and truck stops must display a notice created by the Department of Justice regarding victims of slavery and human trafficking, including contact details for nonprofit groups that help fight against them. This law has been amended effective **January 1, 2024** and now requires all “facilities that provide pediatric care” to also display this notice. “Facilities that provide pediatric care” refers to medical facilities offering services for children, as defined in [Section 16907.5](#) of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

All facilities that provide pediatric care shall post in a public area visible to individuals served, a notice that states the following:

“If you or someone you know is being forced to engage in any activity and cannot leave—whether it is commercial sex, housework, farm work, construction, factory, retail, or restaurant work, or any other activity—text 233-733 (Be Free) or call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or the California Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking (CAST) at 1-888-KEY-2-FRE(EDOM) or 1-888-539-2373 to access help and services.

Victims of slavery and human trafficking are protected under United States and California law.

The hotlines are:

- Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Toll-free.
- Operated by nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations.
- Anonymous and confidential.
- Accessible in more than 160 languages.
- Able to provide help, referral to services, training, and general information.”

The notice shall be 8 ½ inches by 11 inches in size and written in a 16-point font. Notices must be printed at minimum in English and Spanish, per the legislation. Adding postings in Hmong will ensure we cover Fresno County’s threshold languages. Effective immediately, it’s important to review [CA AB1740](#) in its entirety, so you can be sure your agency complies with the regulatory requirements.