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Equitable Sharing Wire

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New! Agency Compliance Link on AFMLS Website

Section VIII.A.1.I of the *Guide to Equitable Sharing for State and Local Law Enforcement* (April 2009), enables state and local law enforcement agencies to transfer a portion of their equitable sharing funds to another participating state and local law enforcement agency that also participates in the Program. It is the chief law enforcement officer's responsibility to ensure that the recipient agency is not only a participant but is also currently compliant in the Program.

In order to make this process quick and easy, AFMLS has created a new link on our website to facilitate agency verification. Please visit www.justice.gov/criminal/afmls and click the Agency Compliance link on the left. A list of all 50 states and territories will appear and you will be able to select your state. If the agency you wish to transfer funds to appears on this list, then they are compliant and you may transfer funds to that agency. The list will also show the agency's compliance-through date so that you will know up until what date you have to transfer funds.

If the agency does not appear on this list, the agency either does not participate or is not currently compliant in the Program and is therefore unable to receive equitably shared funds.

You may refer the agency to the compliance team member for their state so that they may inquire on their status.

Upcoming AFMLS Training...

AFMLS is rolling out a new series of training entitled *Equitable Sharing* for the Financial Support Staff. The target audience is those individuals responsible for managing the agency's equitable sharing funds and submitting the annual Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification form. This training provides an overview of the Equitable Sharing Program, the permissible uses of funds, and practical bookkeeping procedures.

Stay tuned for announcements in upcoming editions of the *Wire* and email invitations with training dates in your area. AFMLS provides a variety of training to the law enforcement community. If you have an upcoming event that you would like to have AFMLS instruction, please contact Anne Insley at 202-353-8880.

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Just a friendly reminder:

As many of you prepare to file your Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report, don't forget to obtain the latest 1.8 version of the form from our website. Right click on the link to the form. Select "Save Target As" and save the form on your computer before you complete the form.

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