

# CCWRO Welfare News

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## IN BRIEF

● State offices will be closed every first, second and third Friday of the month - a new Order by millionaire Arnold Schwarzenegger. This means state employees will face a 14% wage cut, but he can continue to raise money and swim in his millions. Why should he care? He's a millionaire.

● According to the New York Times columnist Paul Krugman Medicare spends 3% on the administrative costs, while the free enterprise, capitalistic profit making health care companies spend 14%. It is clear that profit making medical providers spend more on bureaucracy- which is why Republicans support the bureaucracy.

● Carmen Nazario has been nominated to be the Assistant Secretary for HHS, ACF. Her nomination is subject to Senate approval. She worked for the Clinton Administration. She also

worked in the welfare system for Virginia, Delaware and Puerto Rico. She received her Master in Social Work in 1973.

● David A. Hansell, worked as the Commissioner of the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance has been named Principal Secretary of HHS Administration of Children and Families (ACF). He worked for Gay Men's Health Crisis. He also worked as Associate Commissioner for HIV Services at the New York Department of Health. He was an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the New York University Wagner School of Public Services. He graduated from Yale Law School.

● Joan Lombardi, who worked for the Clinton Administration, has been appointed Deputy Assistant Secretary and Inter-Departmental Liaison for Early Childhood Development for HHS, ACF.

● Shannon Rudisill has been appointed to be Associate Commissioner of the Child Care Bureau in the

Administration for Children and Families. She worked for the Clinton Administration and has a master's in social work.

● Eskinder Negash has been appointed to be Director of the Office of Refugee Resettlement in the HHS, ACF. He worked on behalf of refugees and immigrants for over thirty years. He currently serves as Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI).

● On May 14, 2009, Charr Lee Metsker, Deputy Director for the DSS WtW Division requested a new food stamp waiver USDA, FNS. This waiver would allow a household (HH) to provide any needed information and/or verification within the month following discontinuances to have their benefits resored without a new application and the certification period would not change. A similar waiver was granted to Wisconsin in August of 2007.