
List of Abbreviations

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| ADC | Aid to Dependent Children |
| AFDC | Aid to Families with Dependent Children |
| CalWORKs | California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Program, California's program of cash assistance to low-income families |
| FAP | Family Assistance Program |
| MediCal | California's Medicaid program, a health insurance program for low-income individuals who are not eligible for Medicare |
| MFY | Mobilization for Youth |
| NWRO | National Welfare Rights Organization |
| PRWORA | Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act, the federal legislation reforming the welfare system in 1996 |
| Section 8 | A federal housing subsidy program, first established under Section 8 of the Housing Act of 1937 |
| SIP | Self-Initiated Program |
| SSA | Social Security Act of 1935 |
| SSI | Supplemental Security Income |
| TANF | Temporary Assistance to Needy Families |
| WIC | Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children |

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