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TO: Local Governmental Agencies (LGA)  
Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) Coordinators

SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE AVERAGES FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2004-2005

This PPL provides non-school based LGAs’ MAA programs with the enclosed listing or a link to the list “County Population, Medi-Cal Eligibles and Medi-Cal Eligibles as a Percent of the Population, Fiscal Year (FY) 2003-2004.” This list, commonly referred to as the “countywide average,” includes Medi-Cal eligibles that have a share of cost.

The countywide average is one of the approved discounting methods for a non-school based MAA program to determine the Medi-Cal percentage. If a non-school based LGA program specifies in their MAA claiming plan that they will use the countywide average to discount costs, the respective countywide average is shown in the enclosed listing or can be found at: http://www.dhs.ca.gov/mcss/RequestedData/Population/Population.htm (click on fiscal year 2003/2004), and must be used for the FY 2004/2005 MAA invoices. The City of Berkeley, the City of Long Beach, and the City of Pasadena will use their respective county averages.

If you should have any questions concerning this policy, please contact your claiming analyst or Ms. Carlene Hess, Chief of the Administrative Claiming Operations Unit, at (916) 552-9618 or by email at chess@dhs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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