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TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County Administrative Officers
All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

Letter No.: 94-13

APPLICATION OF HUNT V. KIZER BENEFITS TO LONG TERM CARE (LTC) BENEFICIARIES

Ref.: All County Welfare Directors Letters (ACWDLs) 93-63A and 93-63

Although the Department of Health Services (DHS) believes that the Hunt v. Kizer Settlement Agreement does not cover LTC beneficiaries, DHS has elected to continue its interim policy of applying Hunt benefits to these beneficiaries. Previously some regional County Welfare Directors Association meetings may have received a draft ACWDL indicating that Hunt benefits to LTC beneficiaries would be discontinued. DHS has decided not to implement that policy. Counties should continue to apply Hunt to LTC beneficiaries at this time except for any LTC beneficiaries in aid code 53.

A previous version of this ACWDL, bearing the 93-70 identification number, was prepared, but was never duplicated and distributed by DHS. This earlier version was dated September 30, 1993. Although never distributed, a copy of ACWDL 93-70 was inadvertently filed in the Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch (MEB) files, and a few counties may have obtained it by specifically requesting it from MEB staff who were not aware that it had been cancelled. Any county which obtained a copy of ACWDL 93-70 should destroy it, or mark it void. There will be no ACWDL 93-70.

Please direct questions regarding this ACWDL to Dave Rappolee of my staff at (916) 657-0163.

Sincerely,

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RICARDO BUSTAMANTE forFrank S. Martucci, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch