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

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1997-1998 FAMILY-MEMBER MAXIMUM BASE ALLOCATION AMOUNT

Ref: All County Welfare Directors Letter No. 96-25

This is to provide counties with the updated family-member maximum base allocation amount (per Section 1924(d) of the Social Security Act). The family-member maximum base allocation amount is used to determine how much the long-term care (LTC) beneficiary may allocate to family members. Effective July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998, this family member base allocation amount (for use in Section IX, A.2 and B.2 of the Allocation/Special Deduction Worksheet B -- Form MAW (1/90)) for a family-member living with the community spouse of a beneficiary with LTC status is $1,327. (The level in 1996-1997 was $1,295.)

Please direct questions concerning the family-member maximum base allocation amount to Mr. Dave Rappolee of my staff at (916) 657-0163.

Sincerely,

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