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

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1999 MEDICARE CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE ACT (MCCA) SPOUSAL IMPOVERISHMENT CAPS

The purpose of this letter is to provide county welfare departments with the new maximum income and property caps under MCCA. Effective January 1, 1999, the community spouse resource allowance is $81,960, the new maximum spousal income allocation/minimum monthly maintenance need allowance is $2,049 per month.

If you have any questions on this issue, please call Sharyl Shanen-Raya regarding property, at (916) 657-2942, or Dave Rappolee regarding income, at (916) 657-0163.

Sincerely,

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