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

Letter No.: 99-46

HEALTHY FAMILIES (HF) AND MEDI-CAL OUTREACH

The purpose of this letter is to inform county welfare departments of the number of children under the age of 21 as of June 9, 1999, in your county who are receiving Food Stamp benefits but are not receiving medical assistance. A listing of the number of children by county has been printed out from the Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS) database and is enclosed with this letter.

The federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997 created the Children Health Insurance Program. In California, this is the Healthy Families Program (HFP), and, as I am sure you are aware, a major outreach effort was begun in the State of California headed by the Department of Health Services (DHS) and the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board which has involved the cooperation and collaborative efforts of county welfare departments, other state agencies, community-based organizations, the Department of Education, school districts, ethnic organizations, and many private corporations who have devoted a great deal of their services and monetary assistance to ensure that every child in California will be able to receive medical care when needed.

In furtherance of the medical outreach efforts that you may already be involved in, we would request your assistance in extending your outreach efforts to Food Stamp children who have not applied for medical assistance and inform them that health care is available for their children through either the Medi-Cal Program or the HF program.

In order to assist you in this endeavor, we would supply your county with a MEDS printout with the name, address, case number, and eligibility worker in zip code order of all children under the age of 21 who are receiving Food Stamps but are not receiving Medi-Cal or HF. We would suggest that you send them an informational notice such as is enclosed with this letter or inform them that these programs are available at the time of application for Food Stamps.

A few counties have already begun this outreach effort and we thank you for your enthusiastic response, and we would like to thank all other counties for their assistance in this endeavor to provide health insurance to all children in this State.

If you have any questions or wish to order a printout for your county, please contact Ms. Elena Lara of my staff at (916) 657-0712.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

ANGELINE MRVA, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

Enclosures

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********** FOOD STAMP ELIGIBLES ONLY *********
********** UNDER AGE 21 BY COUNTY ********
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RUNDATE = 9/08/99 PROGRAM: FSONLY

COUNTY - 01	1043
COUNTY - 02	2
COUNTY - 03	56
COUNTY - 04	449
COUNTY - 05	40
COUNTY - 06	72
COUNTY - 07	806
COUNTY - 08	64
COUNTY - 09	174
COUNTY - 10	2094
COUNTY - 11	101
COUNTY - 12	422
COUNTY - 13	546
COUNTY - 14	49
COUNTY - 15	2508
COUNTY - 16	611
COUNTY - 17	136
COUNTY - 18	67
COUNTY - 19	36551
COUNTY - 20	510
COUNTY - 21	90
COUNTY - 22	24
COUNTY - 23	203
COUNTY - 24	1679
COUNTY - 25	18
COUNTY - 26	6
COUNTY - 27	213

COUNTY - 28	165
COUNTY - 29	75
COUNTY - 30	5040
COUNTY - 31	209
COUNTY - 32	17
COUNTY - 33	4215
COUNTY - 34	2658
COUNTY - 35	75
COUNTY - 36	10956
COUNTY - 37	3038
COUNTY - 38	603
COUNTY - 39	1778
COUNTY - 40	413
COUNTY - 41	380
COUNTY - 42	869
COUNTY - 43	1480
COUNTY - 44	402
COUNTY - 45	500
COUNTY - 46	8
COUNTY - 47	116
COUNTY - 48	2266
COUNTY - 49	631
COUNTY - 50	2307
COUNTY - 51	265
COUNTY - 52	176
COUNTY - 53	34
COUNTY - 54	1952
COUNTY - 55	80
COUNTY - 56	2380
COUNTY - 57	237
COUNTY - 58	219

If your children are *uninsured*,
they now have an affordable healthcare option!

The State of California's

Healthy Families Program

is new and it's here to help you!

Healthy Families benefits include:

- Doctor & Specialist Visits
- Hospital Care
- Prescription Drugs
- Emergency Care
- Mental Health
- Immunizations
- Dental Exams & Cleaning
- Eyeglasses
- Fillings

It's easy to qualify for Healthy Families. Children under the age of 19 may be eligible if they do not have health insurance and if parents fall within income levels.

1-888-747-1222

(FAMILIAS SALUDABLES)
Si sus hijos *no están asegurados*,
¡ahora tienen una opción accesible de atención médica!

El Programa Healthy Families

del Estado de California
¡es nuevo y está aquí para ayudarle!

Los beneficios de **Healthy Families** incluyen:

- Visitas a médicos y especialistas
- Atención en hospitales
- Medicinas con receta
- Atención de emergencia
- Salud mental
- Vacunas
- Exámenes y limpieza dental
- Anteojos
- Empastes

Es facil calificar para Healthy Families. Los niños menores de 19 años pueden ser elegibles si no tienen seguro médico y si los padres cumplen con los requisitos de ingresos.

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