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TO: All County Welfare Directors
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OTHER HEALTH COVERAGE (OHC) CODES

The following guidelines related to health insurance reporting are in effect now and should be implemented no later than July 31, 1994.

The first clarifies the types of coverage that should be reported by the county welfare departments (CWDs) when reporting a beneficiary's health insurance to the Department of Health Services (DHS).

In the past, the CWDs have reported different types of coverage (policies) which are not required to be reported under third party liability regulations. Policies such as accident, automobile, burial, life insurance, casualty, workers compensation, disability, Medicare (Title XVIII), Medi-Cal Capitated Health Plans, and veterans administration benefits should not be reported to DHS.

CWDs should report policies that cover hospital outpatient (i.e., lab work physical therapy), hospital stays, doctor visits, prescription drugs, dental care, vision care, long-term care/nursing home, and policies that cover only specific illness (i.e., cancer) to DHS.

Also, the list of OHC codes for Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System has been revised as follows:

- For code "G", General America is changed to read General American
- "X" for Blue Shield is added to the Post-Payment Recovery OHC Codes
- "Z" for Blue Cross is added to the Post-Payment Recovery OHC Codes

These changes will be reflected to the DHS' Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual shortly. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Ms. Janeen Jimenez of the Third Party Liability Branch, Health Insurance Section, at (916) 323-5194.

Sincerely,

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