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

Letter No.: 02-13

NEW FEDERAL POVERTY LEVELS, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2002

Ref.: All County Welfare Directors Letter Nos. 90-42, 91-34, 92-19, 93-16, 94-29, 95-19, 96-17, 97-11, 98-14, 99-15, 00-10, and 01-16

The enclosed chart provides you with the poverty level ceilings for all the Medi-Cal percentage programs. These ceilings are derived from the annual federal poverty level (FPL) figures (column 5) published in the Federal Register on February 14, 2002, (Volume 67, Number 31, Pages 6931 - 6933).

We have also enclosed a new Sneede v. Kizer prorated FPL chart based on the new poverty levels (100 percent) which are used for Section 1931(b) applicants and some recipients which are also effective on April 1, 2002.

If you have any questions on the FPL chart, please contact Mr. Dave Rappolee at (916) 657-0163. For questions about the Sneede v. Kizer prorated chart, please contact Ms. Erin Lynch at (916) 654-5769 or Ms. Margie Buzdas at (916) 657-0726.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

2002 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL CHART

Effective 4/1/02

Persons	Monthly MMNL($)	MMNL as % of FPL	100%($) Monthly	Annual($) 100% FPL	120% Monthly ($)	133% Monthly ($)	185% Monthly ($)	200% Monthly ($)	250% Monthly ($)
1	600	82	739	8860	886	982	1366	1477	1846
2	750	76	995	11940	1194	1324	1841	1990	2488
2 Adults	934	94	995	11940	1194	1324	1841	1990	2488
3	934	75	1252	15020	1502	1665	2316	2504	3130
4	1100	73	1509	18100	1810	2007	2791	3017	3771
5	1259	72	1765	21180	2118	2348	3266	3530	4413
6	1417	71	2022	24260	2426	2689	3741	4044	5055
7	1550	69	2279	27340	2734	3031	4215	4557	5696
8	1692	67	2535	30420	3042	3372	4690	5070	6338
9	1825	66	2792	33500	3350	3713	5165	5584	6980
10	1959	65	3049	36580	3658	4055	5640	6097	7621
For each addtn'l member add:	14		257	3080	308	342	475	514	642

$35: = for Resident in LTC Facilities

MMNL: = for Medically Needy Program

100% FPL: = for Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) Program; and
= for Children Ages 6 Up To 19 Percent Program; and
= for FPL Program for Aged and Disabled
< for Section 1931 Applicants and for Certain Recipient's

120% FPL: < for Specified Low Income Beneficiaries

133% FPL: = for Children Ages 1 Up To Age 6

185% FPL: = for Transitional Medi-Cal (TMC) Program

200% FPL: = for Qualified Working Disabled Individuals; and
= for Pregnant Women and Infants Up To Age 1 (disregard is in the 200% F

250% FPL: = for Healthy Families Program, and for Working Disabled Program

Notes:
"=" means: eligibility if budget unit income is equal to or less than income limit.
"<" means: eligibility if budget unit income is less than income limit.
Figures in above chart are rounded up to next dollar where necessary.

Section 1931(b) Determinations: Sneede v. Kizer
Prorated FPL Income Standard and Property Levels
- April 1, 2002 -

I. MBU Contains an Adult - May also Include an Unborn

Person Type	1931(b) Income	Property
Single Parent	$ 739	$3,000
Single Parent with Unborn	995	3,000
Married Couple -Two Adults	995	3,000
Married Couple with Unborn	1,252	3,150
Unmarried Couple - Each Unmarried Partner	739	3,000

II. MBU Contains Adult(s) and Child(ren)

Allow the full non-Sneede Section 1931(b) income/property limits for the MBU based on the number of individuals in the MBU.

III. MBU Contains a Nonparent Caretaker Relative, or Child(ren) with No Parents Living in the Home, or Child(ren) Whose Parent is PA/Other PA or Not in the MFBU

Each MBU receives full non-Sneede 1931(b) income/property limit based on the number of persons in each MBU. If there is a pregnant minor in the MFBU, include the unborn in the pregnant minor's MBU.

IV. MBU Contains Only Children Who Live with One or Both Parents (Not Stepparents) and They Are in the Same MFBU (Do not include a parent who is PA/other PA and not in the MFBU. Also, if there is a pregnant minor in the MFBU, her unborn is considered as another child in the pregnant minor's MBU.)

No. of Children in MBU	One Parent		Two Parents	
	Prorated Income	Prorated Property	Prorated Income	Prorated Property
1	$ 498	$1,500	$ 418	$1,050
2	835	2,100	755	1,650
3	1,132	2,475	1,059	2,070
4	1,412	2,760	1,348	2,400
5	1,685	3,000	1,628	2,679
6	1,954	3,215	1,902	2,925
7	2,219	3,413	2,172	3,150
8	2,482	3,600	2,440	3,360
9	2,745	3,780	2,705	3,437
10*	3,006	3,819	2,970	3,500

***NOTE:** Add $257 for each additional child after 10 to Section 1931(b) income standards to determine prorated income standards.

$$\frac{\text{No. Children in MBU}}{\text{Parent(s) + No. Children in MBU}} \times \text{1931(b) Income Standard for Parent(s) + Child(ren) in MBU} = \text{Prorated income}$$