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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 09-19  
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS  
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES  
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME/STATE SUPPLEMENTARY  
PROGRAM PAYMENT STANDARDS REDUCTION/MEDI-CAL BUDGET  
CALCULATION CHART  
(Reference: All County Welfare Directors Letters Numbers: 99-25, 00-05,  
00-33, 01-31, 02-27, 03-09, 03-23, 03-43, 04-07, 04-16, 07-17, 08-15,  
08-37, 09-09).

On February 20, 2009, the Governor signed into law Senate Bill X3 6 (Chapter 13, Statutes of 2009). In accordance with this new law, California's State Supplemental Program (SSP) Payment Standards will be reduced back to December 2008 levels effective May 1, 2009. The SSP rates for those living in Title XIX medical facilities or in non-medical out-of-home care living arrangements are exempt from this reduction.

Income limits for the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level program will stay the same for individuals at \$1133 and will be reduced to \$1525 for a couple.

Enclosed is an updated Medi-Cal Budget Calculation Chart originally designed by Sutter County and updated by the Department of Health Care Services. We find it useful and thought counties may wish to use it. This chart includes the reduced Supplemental Security Income/SSP Payment Standards effective May 1, 2009, and we corrected the 185 percent Federal Poverty Level amount for a family of five; the correct amount is \$3976.

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Please be aware that some of these amounts change at various times during the year.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Cindy Borg at (916) 552-9517 or email her at [Cindy.Borg@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:Cindy.Borg@dhcs.ca.gov) .

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Enclosure

