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To: All County Welfare Directors

MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN RECEIVING SSI/SSP AND AFDC-BHI
REFERENCE: DSS ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-89-78

Department of Social Services regulations provide that children in foster care receiving SSI/SSP may also receive a supplemental nonfederal AFDC-BHI cash assistance payment if AFDC-BHI eligibility requirements are met. Even though these children will then be eligible for two cash assistance programs, they are eligible to receive only one Medi-Cal card under Medi-Cal regulations, (Title 22, California Administrative Code, Section 50731). Therefore, only the SSI/SSP Medi-Cal card will be issued to these children for any month in which they are eligible for both the SSI/SSP and AFDC-BHI programs.

To ensure that only one card is issued to each child, the counties shall not report such children to the Department of Health Services for issuance of an AFDC-BHI Medi-Cal card, nor shall such children receive a county issued AFDC-BHI Medi-Cal card.

It is necessary, however, that the Department of Social Services be able to identify children who receive both AFDC-BHI and SSI/SSP. Any method that is convenient to the county may be used to record this data as long as individual children can be identified on a monthly basis.

If you have any questions regarding AFDC eligibility or case management for those children contact your AFDC management consultant.

Sincerely,

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