STATE OF CALIFORNIA—HEALTH AND WELFARE AGENCY

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
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April 15, 1988

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICERS

Letter: 88-25

SUBJECT; CARETAKER RELATIVES LINKED TO A CHILD ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) OR OTHER PA

This is to advise you of new instructions which will allow a caretaker relative without a spouse and/or children living in the home to be linked to a child receiving Public Assistance (PA) or Other PA.

Currently, only a parent of a child receiving PA may be linked to AFDC, if that child is also deprived. (See the Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual Procedures Section 5C I B(9)).

To comply with federal requirements, effective from the date of this letter for new cases and at the next redetermination for continuing cases, counties shall advise a caretaker relative with no spouse and/or children living in the home that he/she may request Medi-Cal based on AFDC linkage to a child receiving PA or Other PA (similar to the parent linked to a PA child). The caretaker relative would be in a Medi-Cal Family Budget Unit (MFBU) of one since the child is receiving a cash grant and is not in the MFBU.

Regulations to implement this change are scheduled for public hearing on May 4, 1988.

If you have any questions, please contact Margie Buzdas at (916) 324-4972.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Frank S. Martucci, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

cc: Medi-Cal Laisons
Medi-Cal Program Consultants

Expiration Date: April 1, 1989