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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No: 17-19
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: New Limits and Disregards for the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level Program for 2017 – Beginning April 1, 2017

Beginning April 1, 2017, income limits for the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level (A&D FPL) are as follows:

The income limit for an A&D FPL individual will be \$1,235. This income limit is equal to \$1005 (100 percent of the FPL for an individual) plus the \$230 standard disregard for an individual.

The income limit for an A&D FPL couple will be \$1,664. This income limit is equal to \$1,354 (100 percent of the FPL for 2 Adults) plus the \$310 standard disregard for couples.

Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 14005.40 (a)(1) requires that the A&D FPL effective income standard be the greater of the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) rates, or 100 percent of the applicable FPL plus the standard deduction for an individual (\$230) or a couple (\$310). The May 1, 2009, SSI/SSP payment rate used by Medi-Cal remains in effect until the current payment rate is increased to a level that exceeds the May 1, 2009, payment rate.

Since 100 percent of the FPL for individuals and couples, plus the applicable income disregard, is greater than the May 1, 2009, SSI/SSP payment standards, please use the 100 percent FPL plus standard disregard as the 2017 standards for the A&D FPL program, beginning on April 1, 2017.

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Please review all non-long term care, Aged Blind or Disabled Medically Needy share of cost, cases back to April 1, 2017, and reevaluate eligibility based on the revised income limits.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Bonnie Tran at (916) 552-9675 or by email at Bonnie.Tran@dhcs.ca.gov.

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