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**TO:** All MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE HEALTH PLANS

**SUBJECT:** SIX NEW DERIVATIVE FOSTER CARE AID CODES TO IDENTIFY  
NON-MINOR DEPENDENTS IN THE CALIFORNIA WORK  
OPPORTUNITY RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS, FOSTER CARE,  
KINSHIP GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM,  
AND ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The purpose of this All Plan Letter (APL) is to provide information to Medi-Cal managed care health plans regarding six new derivative Foster Care (FC) aid codes: 07, 43, 49, 4N, 4S and 4W, which are derived from existing FC aid codes 03, 40, 42, 4H, 4T, and 4G, which are currently included in Medi-Cal managed care contracts. These new aid codes will become effective January 1, 2012, for the Medi-Cal Managed Care Program. These aid codes will be voluntary aid codes for the Two-Plan and Geographic Managed Care health plans and mandatory aid codes for the County Organized Health Systems. This letter is for informational purposes only regarding aid code and system changes; no action is required at this time by the health plans.

Currently, dependent children eligible to receive California Work Opportunity Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKS), FC, Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program (Kin-GAP), and Adoption Assistance Program (AAP) benefits may qualify for benefits until age 18, and may continue to receive benefits if enrolled full-time in high school, a vocational or technical training program, and will graduate before reaching age 19.

With the passage of Assembly Bill (AB) 12 (Chapter 359, Statutes of 2010, California Fostering Connections to Success Act), a new category of Non-Minor Dependents (NMDs) was established making certain populations eligible to receive extended CalWORKS, FC, Kin-GAP, and AAP benefits. A NMD is defined as a current or former dependent child or ward of the Juvenile Court, who is 18 but less than 21 years of age, in a foster care placement under the responsibility of the county social services agency, county probation department, or Indian tribe, and participating in a transitional independent living case plan. These NMDs would be required to meet one of five employment or education conditions and retain court jurisdiction in order to remain eligible for the benefits extension.

### Aid Codes

The table below shows the existing aid code, the current description of the population the code serves now, what the new derivative aid code will be, and the new code description of the population.

<b>Existing Code</b>	<b>Current Description</b>	<b>New Code</b>	<b>New aid code description</b>
4H	CalWORKS: Covers children, on whose behalf financial assistance is provided for state-only foster care placement, living with an approved CalWORKS relative who is not eligible for Kin-GAP or FC.	4N	CalWORKS FC State Cash Aid/Federal Financial Participation (FFP) Medi-Cal: Covers NMD, age 18 but under age 21, under AB 12 on whose behalf financial assistance is provided for foster care placement, living with an approved CalWORKS relative who is not eligible for Kin-GAP or FC.
40	Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) State: Covers children on whose behalf financial assistance is provided for state-only foster care placement.	43	AFDC-FC State Cash Aid/FFP Medi-Cal: Covers NMD, age 18 but under age 21, under AB 12 on whose behalf financial assistance is provided for state-only foster care placement.
42	AFDC-FC Federal: Covers children on whose behalf financial assistance is provided for federal foster care placement.	49	AFDC-FC Title IV-E /Federal Cash& Medi-Cal: Covers NMD, age 18 but under age 21, under AB 12 on whose behalf financial assistance is provided for federal foster care placement.

03	AAP Federal: A cash grant program to facilitate the adoption of hard-to-place children under age 18 and those up to age 21 based on a disability, who would require permanent foster care placement without such assistance.	07	AAP Title IV-E Federal Cash and Medi-Cal: A cash grant program to facilitate the ongoing adoptive placement of hard-to-place NMDs, whose initial AAP payment occurred on or after age 16 and are over age 18 but under age 21, who would require permanent foster care placement without such assistance.
4T	KinGAP Federal: Serves former and current foster youth by moving them from foster care placements to more permanent placement options through the establishment of a relative guardianship.	4S	KinGAP Title IV-E Federal Cash and Medi-Cal: Serves former foster care NMDs over age 18, but under age 21, by moving them from foster care placements to more permanent placement options through the establishment of a relative guardianship that occurred on or after age 16. (Also "includes youth age 18 but under age 21 based on a disability.")
4G	KinGAP Cash Assistance. Covers non-Title IV-E children/non-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Maintenance of Effort (MOE) countable in the state program for children in relative guardian placement receiving cash assistance.	4W	KinGAP State Cash Aid/FFP Medi-Cal after full Medi-Cal determination: Covers NMDs age 18 but under age 21, eligible for extended KinGAP assistance based on a disability or based on the establishment of the guardianship that occurred on or after age 16. Non Title IV-E KinGAP must have a full Medicaid eligibility determination.

DHCS will be providing Medi-Cal Managed Care health plans with contract amendments to include these new derivative aid codes. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact your Contract Manager.

Sincerely,

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