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TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County Administrative Officers
All County Medi-Cal Specialists/Liaisons
All Pickle Coordinators

Letter No.: 92-74

SUBJECT: Pickle Program and Disabled Adult Child(ren) Affected by the 5.8
Percent Decrease in Supplemental Security Income/State
Supplementary Payment Program (SSI/SSP), E-Mail #92151

The purpose of this letter is to discuss the determination process for the potentially eligible Pickle individuals and the Disabled Adult Child (DAC) who may be among those experiencing the 5.8 percent decrease and the loss of automatic, zero share-of-cost, SSI/SSP cash grant-based Medi-Cal.

Counties can make the Pickle determination for January now that the Title II disregard has been disseminated through E-Mail 92144. The cost of living adjustment (COLA) is 3.0 percent. However, counties cannot enter this information onto MEDS prior to the December 1992 month of eligibility (MOE). Therefore, counties will need to flag the Pickle cases that have been determined earlier but need to be input later into the MEDS system.

On the other hand, eligibility for beneficiaries of the DAC Program can be determined and input into MEDS immediately, once eligibility is verified. Under the DAC Program, disregard the Title II DAC benefit and all increases. Use aid code 26 and 66 for those eligible under the DAC Program. Procedures for making the DAC Program determination are found in the Pickle Handbook, pages 6-1 to 6-2. Please note that an All County Welfare Directors Letter explaining the detailed procedures for the Disabled Widow(er)s Program is in process.

Also, as was indicated in E-Mail #92151, any Ramos individual who received and completed an MC211 does not also have to complete an MC210 the first year as part of the Pickle Program determination. You may use the MC211.

If you have any questions regarding the Pickle or DAC Programs, please contact Sylvia Finberg at (916) 657-0080.

Sincerely,
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