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Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch Information Letter No.: I-96-22

TO: All County Welfare Directors
All Adoption Supervisors
All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

RESULTS OF MASS MAILING LETTER TO AID CODES 03 AND 04 ELIGIBLES FOR HEALTH INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION

Re: ACWDL NO. 96-03, Mass Mailing Letter to Aid Codes 03 and 04 Eligibles for Health Insurance Identification

This is to announce the results of the mailing sent in February 1996 to recipients of the Adoption Assistance Program. The purpose of the mailing was to determine if health insurance is being provided by the newly or prospective adoptive parents.

The 2,183 letters mailed included a Health Insurance Questionnaire (DHS 6155A). We received a total of 350 responses, resulting in the identification of 271 cases of new health coverage and 79 cases updated to correct previously identified health coverage. Although these figures seem relatively small, they translate into potential semiannual taxpayer savings of \$121,450 to Medi-Cal. The results of this mailing clearly indicate the potential of cost savings in the identification of health insurance for recipients in the Adoption Assistance Program.

For more questions about the letter and/or information about reporting health insurance coverage to the Department of Health Services, please refer to the April 10, 1995, revision to the Eligibility and Assistance Standards Manual, Division 45-807.1.15, or call Janeen Jimenez with the Department of Health Services, Third Party Liability Branch, at (916) 323-5194.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch