

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**

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TO: All County Welfare Directors  
All County Administrative Officers  
All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons  
All County Public Health Directors  
All County Mental Health Directors  
All County QMB/SLMB/QI Coordinators

Letter No.: 99-15

**NEW FEDERAL POVERTY LEVELS, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 1999**

Ref.: All County Welfare Directors Letters Nos. 90-42, 91-34, 92-19, 93-16, 94-29, 95-19, 96-17, 97-11, and 98-14

The enclosed chart provides you with the poverty level ceilings for the Medi-Cal percentage programs. These ceilings are derived from the federal poverty level figures (column 5 on the enclosed chart) published in the Federal Register on March 18, 1999.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Dave Rappolee at (916) 657-0163 or Ms. Marge Buzdas at (916) 657-0726.

Sincerely,

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ANGELINE MRVA, Chief  
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

Enclosure

1999 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL CHART

Effective 4/1/99

Persons	MMNL(\$)	% of FPL	100%(\$)	Annual(\$)	120%(\$)	Annual(\$)	133%(\$)	Annual(\$)	185%(\$)	Annual(\$)	200%(\$)	Annual(\$)
1	600	88	687	8,240	824	9,888	914	10,960	1,271	15,244	1,374	16,480
2	750	82	922	11,060	1,106	13,272	1,226	14,710	1,706	20,461	1,844	22,120
2 Adults	934	102	922	11,060	1,106	13,272	1,226	14,710	1,706	20,461	1,844	22,120
3	934	81	1,157	13,880	1,388	16,656	1,539	18,461	2,140	25,678	2,314	27,760
4	1,100	80	1,392	16,700	1,670	20,040	1,851	22,211	2,575	30,895	2,784	33,400
5	1,259	78	1,627	19,520	1,952	23,424	2,164	25,962	3,010	36,112	3,254	39,040
6	1,417	77	1,862	22,340	2,234	26,808	2,477	29,713	3,445	41,329	3,724	44,680
7	1,550	74	2,097	25,160	2,516	30,192	2,789	33,463	3,879	46,546	4,194	50,320
8	1,692	73	2,332	27,980	2,798	33,576	3,102	37,214	4,314	51,763	4,684	55,960
9	1,825	72	2,567	30,800	3,080	36,960	3,414	40,964	4,749	56,980	5,134	61,600
10	1,959	70	2,802	33,620	3,362	40,344	3,727	44,715	5,184	62,197	5,604	67,240
For each addn'l member add:	14		235	2,820	282	3,384	313	3,751	435	5,217	470	5,640

Medi-Cal maintenance need limit for person in LTC = \$35

Medi-Cal regular maintenance need level = MMNL

Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) = 100%

Children ages 6 up to 19 = 100%

Specified Low Income Beneficiaries < 120%

Children age 1 up to age 6 = 133%

Pregnant women and infants up to age 1: Income Disregard Program: use the 200% chart (the disregard is built into the 200% chart.)

Qualified Disabled Working Individuals = 200%

Transitional Medi-Cal (TMC) = 185%

\*Decimals are rounded up to the nearest dollar

1999 POVERTY LEVEL CHART FOR 135% AND 175% PROGRAMS

Persons	MN PROGRAM (MMNL(\$))	QMB 100% PROGRAM		SLMB 120% PROGRAM		Q1 135% PROGRAM		Q2 175% PROGRAM		
		Mthly	Annual	Mthly	Mthly + \$20	Annual	Mthly	Mthly + \$20	Annual	
1	\$ 600	\$ 687	\$ 8,240	\$ 824	\$ 844	\$ 927	\$ 947	\$ 1,202	\$ 1,222	\$ 14,420
2	\$ 750	\$ 922	\$ 11,060	\$ 1,106	\$ 1,126	\$ 1,245	\$ 1,265	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,633	\$ 19,355
2 Adults	\$ 934	\$ 922	\$ 11,060	\$ 1,106	\$ 1,126	\$ 1,245	\$ 1,265	\$ 1,613	\$ 1,633	\$ 19,355
3	\$ 934	\$ 1,157	\$ 13,880	\$ 1,388	\$ 1,408	\$ 1,562	\$ 1,582	\$ 2,025	\$ 2,045	\$ 24,290
4	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,392	\$ 16,700	\$ 1,670	\$ 1,690	\$ 1,879	\$ 1,899	\$ 2,436	\$ 2,456	\$ 29,225
5	\$ 1,259	\$ 1,627	\$ 19,520	\$ 1,952	\$ 1,972	\$ 2,196	\$ 2,216	\$ 2,847	\$ 2,867	\$ 34,160
6	\$ 1,417	\$ 1,862	\$ 22,340	\$ 2,234	\$ 2,254	\$ 2,514	\$ 2,534	\$ 3,258	\$ 3,278	\$ 39,095
7	\$ 1,550	\$ 2,097	\$ 25,160	\$ 2,516	\$ 2,536	\$ 2,831	\$ 2,851	\$ 3,670	\$ 3,690	\$ 44,030
8	\$ 1,692	\$ 2,332	\$ 27,980	\$ 2,798	\$ 2,818	\$ 3,148	\$ 3,168	\$ 4,081	\$ 4,101	\$ 48,965
9	\$ 1,825	\$ 2,567	\$ 30,800	\$ 3,080	\$ 3,100	\$ 3,465	\$ 3,485	\$ 4,492	\$ 4,512	\$ 53,900
10	\$ 1,959	\$ 2,802	\$ 33,620	\$ 3,362	\$ 3,382	\$ 3,783	\$ 3,803	\$ 4,903	\$ 4,923	\$ 58,835
For each additional member add:		\$ 235	\$ 2,820	\$ 282	\$ 302	\$ 318	\$ 318	\$ 412	\$ 412	\$ 4,935

135&175 Pvrty Lvl Prgm for 99