TO: All County Welfare Directors
    All County Public Health Directors
    All County Administrative Officers
    All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

Letter No.: 98-29

1998-1999 FAMILY-MEMBER MAXIMUM BASE ALLOCATION AMOUNT

Ref.: All County Welfare Directors Letter (ACWDL) No. 97-31

This is to provide counties with the updated family-member maximum base allocation amount (per Section 1924(d) of the Social Security Act). The family-member maximum base allocation amount is used to determine how much the long-term care (LTC) beneficiary may allocate to family members. Effective July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999, this family-member base allocation amount (for use in Section IX, A.2 and B.2 of the Allocation/Special Deduction Worksheet B -- Form MAW (1/90)) for a family member living with the community spouse of a beneficiary with LTC status is $1,357. (The level in 1996-1997 was $1,327.)

Please direct questions concerning the family-member maximum base allocation amount to Mr. Dave Rappolee of my staff at (916) 657-0163.

Sincerely,

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Angeline Mrva, Chief
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