August 1, 2014

Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter No.: I 14-44

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
    ALL COUNTY WELFARE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
    ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS

SUBJECT: Processing State Residency Verifications on Pending and Current Applications in the California Healthcare Eligibility, Enrollment, and Retention System (CalHEERS) and the Statewide Automated Welfare System (SAWS)

Reference: Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter (MEDIL) 14-20, 14-21 and 14-29

The purpose of this MEDIL is to provide updated information on processing state residency verifications on pending and current applications in both CalHEERS and SAWS.

Background
In an effort to expedite application processing efforts, paper verification requirements for state residency were suspended until May 1, 2014, and then to August 1, 2014.

Suspension of Paper Verification Requirements for Residency Extended Until Further Notice
The suspension on paper verification of state residency status released to counties in MEDIL 14-20 and 14-29 has been extended until further notice. Counties shall consider residency to be verified for all pending and current applications, if the applicant has attested to living within California by verbal contact or by listing a California address in applicable fields for physical address on the web or paper application.

If you have any questions or if we can provide further information, please contact Leanna Pierson at (916) 327-0408 or by email at Leanna.Pierson@dhcs.ca.gov.

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