November 19, 2008

TO:         ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
            ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
            ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALIST/LIAISONS  
            ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES  
            ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT:    CHANGE TO THE INCOME LIMIT FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED  
            FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL (A&D FPL) PROGRAM COUPLES TO BE  

The purpose of this letter is to inform counties that the payment standards for the  
Supplemental Security Program/State Supplementary Program (SSI/SSP) are  
increasing effective January 1, 2009, (ACWDL 08-06).  State law requires that the  
A&D FPL program income limits be equal to, or greater than, the SSI/SSP standards.  
This does not impact A&D FPL individuals because the A&D FPL income standard of  
$1,097 exceeds the SSI/SSP payment level of $907 for 2009 until new Federal Poverty  
Levels come out.  However, the current A&D FPL couples limit of $1,524 needs to be  
increased on January 1, 2009, to the 2009 SSI/SSP couple payment standard of  
$1,579.

Please note that the income disregard for the A&D FPL individuals remains unchanged  
at $230.

If you have other questions regarding our response, please call Mr. Craig Yagi, of my  
staff, at (916) 552-9522.

Original Signed By

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