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- TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
- SUBJECT: Updated Modified Adjusted Gross Income and Deductions Types Chart --Modified Adjusted Gross Income and In-Home Caregiver Wages of Resident Caregivers

The purpose of this letter is to inform all counties that the "Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) and Deductions Types" chart located in the County Operations Support portion of the Department of Health Care Services website has been updated to display recent decisions by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regarding live-in caregiver wages. This change is specifically for the In-Home Supportive Services and Home and Community Based Waivers that provide in-home personal care. The caregivers' wages paid under these programs are not counted in the MAGI income eligibility determination when paid to an enrolled provider who, regardless of relationship, resides with the Medi-Cal beneficiary who is receiving personal care services from any of the following programs:

- In-Home Operations Waiver Waiver Personal Care Services
- Nursing Facility/Acute Hospital Waiver Waiver Personal Care Services
- Personal Care Services Program
- In-Home Supportive Services Plus Option
- Community First Choice Option
- In-Home Supportive Services—Residual Program.

The updated chart can be located through the address link below.

http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Documents/Co-OPS-Sup/IncomeTableTool.pdf Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter No.: 1 16-17 Page 2 September 21, 2016

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