

# State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 12-16

ALL COUNTY WELFARE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS

ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES

ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY MEDS LIAISONS

SUBJECT: 2012 TUBERCULOSIS INCOME STANDARD AND RELATED

**ISSUES** 

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with the 2012, income standard and resource information for use in the Medi-Cal Tuberculosis (TB) program. This letter also includes the methodology used for each standard and/or limit provided.

#### 2012 TB Income Standard

Individual: \$1,481

The methodology used for determining the income eligibility standard for this group is the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) break-even point as required by Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6A of the State Plan.

The SSI break-even point computation (Social Security POMS Section SI 00810.50): Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)  $$698 \times 2 + $85 = $1,481$ .

NOTE: If the applicant is married and living with spouse, use only the applicant's income received in his/her name.

#### 2012 Resource Limit

Individual: \$2,000

The resource limit is based on the SSI resource limit.

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### NOTE:

- If the applicant is married, when determining property, use only the applicant's separate property and one-half of the community property.
- When determining a child's eligibility, and there are two parents present, allow the parents a property limit of \$3,000. When there is only one parent, use the individual resource limit of \$2000.

## 2012 Supplemental Security Income Standard Allocation

The maximum ineligible child allocation is \$350. The allocation for ineligible children is deducted for each ineligible child, who lives in the household. There is no ineligible child allocation for any child, who receives public assistance.

The computation to determine the SSI standard allocation (SSA POMS SI 01320.500, Social Security Act Section 1614(f)(2)(A), 20 CFR 416.1165) is the difference between the FBR for a couple and the FBR for an individual; \$1,048 - \$698 = \$350.

## 2012 FBR (used to determine the Parental Deduction)

Individual: \$698 Couple: \$1,048

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