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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS

DISTRIBUTION OF THE MEDI-CAL MAIL-IN APPLICATION (MC 210) SUBJECT:

The purpose of this letter is to advise counties of an expected increase in requests for the Medi-Cal Mail-In Application (MC 210) from hospitals.

Hospitals are requesting Medi-Cal and Healthy Families applications as part of the implementation of AB 774, signed by the Governor on September 29, 2006.

The new law requires hospitals to provide uninsured patients with applications for the Medi-Cal and Healthy Families programs. To comply with the law, hospitals need to obtain bulk supplies of the standard Medi-Cal application (MC 210) and the Healthy Families/Medi-Cal application (MC 321) that is intended for children's coverage.

The California Department of Health Services (CDHS) is referring hospitals to the CDHS Warehouse at (916) 928-9203 to obtain an order form for the MC 210. CDHS is referring hospitals to the following website to obtain an order form for the MC 321: http://www.dhs.ca.gov/mcs/medi-calhome/HFApp.htm.

Although CDHS is providing these forms to hospitals, it is expected that counties may also receive requests as a result of the new mandate. Counties may advise hospitals to call the CDHS Warehouse at (916) 928-9203 to obtain an order form for MC 210 applications and/or direct them to the website for MC 321 applications.

CDHS is committed to ensuring that hospitals have sufficient materials to comply with the requirements of AB 774. CDHS is increasing its inventories to handle hospital requests. Additionally, a hospital can visit the CDHS website to print single copies of the application forms.

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In the event that you need to obtain further clarification on any of the information in this letter, please contact us.

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