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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 05-40
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM/SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: 2006 MEDICARE CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE ACT SPOUSAL
IMPOVERISHMENT CAPS

The purpose of this letter is to provide County Welfare Departments with the new maximum income and property caps under the Medicare catastrophic Coverage Act. Effective January 1, 2006, the community spouse resource allowance is \$99,540, the new maximum spousal income allocation/minimum monthly maintenance need allowance is \$2,489 per month.

If you have any questions on this issue, please call Ms. Nichole Hansen regarding property, at (916) 552-9484, or Mr. Dave Rappolee regarding income, at (916) 552-9517.

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