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Department of Health Services



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES

ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: NEW LIMITS AND DISREGARDS FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED

FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL PROGRAM FOR 2006

This letter is to provide counties with the 2006 income limits for the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level (A&D FPL) program as follows:

The effective income limit for an A&D FPL individual is \$1047 as of April 1, 2006. This income limit is equal to \$817 (100 percent of the FPL for one, effective April 1, 2006) and the \$230 standard disregard for an individual.

The A&D FPL couple income limit, according to the formula for this program, would be 100 percent of FPL for two and the standard \$310 disregard for a couple. However, Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 14005.40 (1) requires that the A&D FPL couples effective income standard be no less than the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) couple payment standard. The new SSI/SSP payment standard is \$1437 as of January 1, 2006.

For determinations from January 1, 2006, through March 31, 2006, the income disregard would be \$367, which is the difference between the SSI/SSP couple payment of \$1437 and \$1070 (100 percent of the FPL for two effective April 1, 2005).

The income disregard must be increased to \$372 for determinations from April 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006. This is equal to the difference between the SSI/SSP couple

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payment level which is now \$1472 as of April 1, 2006, and \$1100 (100 percent of FPL for two, effective April 1, 2006).

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

Sincerely,

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