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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

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ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS

ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES

ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: NEW FEDERAL POVERTY LEVELS

(Reference: All County Welfare Directors Letter Nos. 90-42, 91-34, 92-19, 93-16, 94-29, 95-19, 96-17, 97-11, 98-14, 99-15, 00-10, 01-16,

02-13, 03-10, 04-04,05-13 and 06-6.)

The enclosed chart provides you with the poverty level ceilings for most of the Medi-Cal percentage programs. These ceilings are derived from the annual federal poverty level (FPL) figures published in the Federal Register on January 24, 2007, (Volume 72, Number 15, Pages 3147-3148).

For most individuals whose eligibility is based on a percentage of the FPL (including 1931 (b) applicants and recipients that receive Retirement, Survivor's, and Disability Insurance RSDI Title II income), the effective date of these revised FPL figures is April 1, 2007. However, counties must review all denials and discontinuances for the following groups back to the date specified for each group and re-evaluate eligibility based on the revised FPL figures:

For applicants and recipients of the Medicare Savings Programs (MSP) includes Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB), Specified Low income Beneficiary, and Qualified Individual 1 programs) not receiving RSDI Title II income, counties must apply the new FPL figures retroactively to the date of publication, which is January 24, 2007. Because California has whole month eligibility, individuals whose applications are approved based on the January 24, 2007, date receive QMB coverage for the entire month of January. All County Welfare Directors Letter No.: 07-04 Page 2

For MSP applicants or recipients that are receiving RSDI Title II income, counties
must review all denials and discontinuances beginning March 1, 2007, and apply the
revised FPL.

We have also enclosed a new *Sneede v. Kizer* prorated FPL chart based on the new poverty levels (100 percent) which are used for Section 1931(b) applicants and some recipients. These are also effective April 1, 2007.

If you have any questions on the FPL chart, please contact Mr. Dave Rappolee at (916) 552-9517. For questions about the *Sneede v. Kizer* prorated chart, please contact Mr. John McDaniel at (916) 552-9481.

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Enclosures

2007 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL CHART						Effective 04/01/07*				
Persons	Monthly MMNL(\$)	MMNL as % of FPL	100%(\$) Monthly	Annual(\$) 100% FPL	120% Monthly (\$)	133% Monthly (\$)	135% Monthly(\$)	185% Monthly (\$)	200% Monthly (\$)	250% Monthly (\$)
1	600	71	851	10210	1021	1132	1149	1575	1702	2128
2	750	66	1141	13690	1369	1518	1541	2111	2282	2853
2 Adults	934	82	1141	13690	1369	1518	1541	2111	2282	2853
3	934	66	1431	17170	1717	1903	1932	2648	2862	3578
4	1100	64	1721	20650	2065	2289	2324	3184	3442	4303
5	1259	63	2011	24130	2413	2675	2715	3721	4022	5028
6	1417	62	2301	27610	2761	3061	3107	4257	4602	5753
7	1550	60	2591	31090	3109	3446	3498	4794	5182	6478
8	1692	59	2881	34570	3457	3832	3890	5330	5762	7203
9	1825	58	3171	38050	3805	4218	4281	5867	6342	7928
10 addtn'l	1959	57	3461	41530	4153	4603	4673	6403	6922	8653
member add:	14	LMD and OL 1	290	3480	348	386	392	537	580	725

^{*} Effective 1/24/07 for QMB, SLMB, and QI-1 with no Title II income and 3/1/07 for QMB, SLMB, and QI-1 with Title II income

\$35: = for Resident in LTC Facilities

133% FPL: = for Children Ages 1 Up To Age 6

MMNL: = for Medically Needy Program

185% FPL: = for Transitional Medi-Cal (TMC)

100% FPL: = for Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) Program; and = for Children Ages 6 Up To 19 Percent Program; and

= for FPL Program for Aged and Disabled; and

= for Section 1931 Applicants and for Certain Recipient's

120% FPL: < for Specified Low Income Beneficiaries

200% FPL: = for Qualified Working Disabled Individuals; and

= for Pregnant Women and Infants Up To Age 1 (disregard is

in the 200% FPL)

250% FPL: = for Healthy Families Program, and for Working . .

Disabled Program

Notes:

[&]quot;=" means: eligibility if budget unit income is equal to or less than income limit.

[&]quot;<" means: eligibility if budget unit income is less than income limit.

[·] Figures in above chart are rounded up to next dollar where necessary.

Section 1931(b) Determinations: Sneede v. Kizer Prorated FPL Income Standard and Property Levels - April 1, 2007 -

I. MBU Contains an Adult - May also Include an Unborn						
Person Type	1931(b) Income	Property				
Single Parent	\$851	\$3,000				
Single Parent with Unborn	\$1,141	\$3,000				
Married Couple -Two Adults	\$1,141	\$3,000				
Married Couple - with Unborn	\$1,431	\$3,150				
Unmarried Couple - Each Unmarried Partner	\$851	\$3,000				

II. MBU Contains Adult(s) and Child(ren)

Allow the full non-Sneede Section 1931(b) income/property limits for the MBU based on the number of individuals in the MBU.

III. MBU Contains a Nonparent Caretaker Relative, or Child(ren) with No Parents Living in the Home, or Child(ren) Whose Parent is PA/Other PA or Not in the MFBU

Each MBU receives full non-Sneede(b) income/property limt based on the number of persons in the MBU. If there is a pregnant minor in the MFBU, include the unborn in the pregnant minor's MBU.

IV. MBU Contains Only Chidren Who Live with One or Both Parents (Not Stepparents) and They Are in the Same MFBU. (Do not include a parent who is PA/other PA and not in the MFBU. Also, if there is a pregnant minor in the MFBU, her unborn is considered as another child in the pregnant minor's MBU.)

No. of Children	One F	Parent	Two Parents		
in MBU	Prorated Income	Prorated Property	Prorated Income	Prorated Property	
1	\$571	\$1,500	\$477	\$1,050	
2	\$954	\$2,100	\$861	\$1,650	
3	\$1,291	\$2,475	\$1,207	\$2,070	
4	\$1,609	\$2,760	\$1,534	\$2,400	
5	\$1,918	\$3,000	\$1,851	\$2,679	
6	\$2,221	\$3,215	\$2,161	\$2,925	
7	\$2,521	\$3,413	\$2,467	\$3,150	
8	\$2,819	\$3,600	\$2,769	\$3,360	
9	\$3,115	\$3,780	\$3,069	\$3,437	
10	\$3,410	\$3,819	\$3,368	\$3,500	

Note 1: Add \$284 for each additional child after 10 to Sec. 1931(b) income standards to determine prorated income standards.

Note 2: (No. Children in MBU) / (No. Parents in MFBU + No. Children in MBU) multiplied by 1931(b) income standard for a budget unit of Parent(s) in MFBU + Child(ren) in MBU = Prorated Income in Part IV