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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No. : 08-06
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALIST/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: NEW LIMITS AND DISREGARDS FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED
FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL PROGRAM FOR 2008

This letter is to provide counties with the 2008 income limits and disregards for the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level (A&D FPL) program.

The effective income limit for an A&D FPL individual is \$1097 as of April 1, 2008. This income limit is equal to \$867 (100 percent of the FPL for one, effective April 1, 2008) 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 of \$1167 and the standard \$310 disregard for a couple; total \$1477. 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 disregard for couples is determined by subtracting the FPL for two from the SSI/SSP couple payment standard as follows:

- For determinations from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008, the income disregard would be \$383, which is the difference between the SSI/SSP couple payment standard of \$1524 effective January 1, 2008, and \$1141 (100 percent of the FPL for two, effective April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008).
- For determinations for April 1, 2008 and May 2008, the income disregard will be \$357, which is the difference between the SSI/SSP couple payment standard of

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\$1524 and \$1167 (100 percent of the FPL for two, effective April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009).

- For determinations from June 2008 through December 2008, the income disregard is \$391, which is equal to the difference between the SSI/SSP couple payment standard of \$1558, effective June 1, 2008, and \$1167 (100 percent of FPL for two, effective April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009).

If you have other questions regarding this All County Welfare Directors Letter, please call Mr. Craig Yagi, of my staff, at (916) 552-9522 or e-mail him at craig.yagi@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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