

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 08-47

ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALIST/LIAISONS

ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES

ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY 250 PERCENT WORKING DISABLED COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: ELIMINATION OF SUNSET DATE FOR THE 250 PERCENT WORKING

DISABLED PROGRAM

(Reference All County Welfare Directors Letter Nos.: 99-67, 00-16,

00-51,01-26, 01-46, 01-65, 02-34, 05-0, 06-27

The purpose of this letter is to notify counties that Assembly Bill 1183 (Chapter 758, Statutes of 2008) eliminates the January 1, 2009 sunset date for California's 250 Percent Working Disabled Program (WDP), thereby allowing the WDP to operate indefinitely as a permanent Medi-Cal program.

The WDP was established on April 1, 2000. This program allows employed individuals with disabilities to earn up to 250 percent of the federal poverty level (countable income) and receive full scope Medi-Cal benefits. All individuals and couples who become eligible under this program are required to pay a monthly premium based on countable income.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call Ms. Debra J. Hader at (916) 449-5280 or e-mail debra.hader@dhcs.ca.gov.

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