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Department of Health Care Services



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 08-49
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS
ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY QMB/SLMB/QI COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: 2009 MEDICARE CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE ACT (MCCA)
SPOUSAL IMPOVERISHMENT CAPS

The purpose of this letter is to provide County Welfare Departments with the new maximum income and property caps under MCCA. Effective January 1, 2009, the community spouse resource allowance is \$109,560 and the new maximum spousal income allocation/minimum monthly maintenance need allowance is \$2,739 per month.

If you have any questions on this issue, please call Mr. Robert Laederich regarding property at (916) 552-9486, or Mr. Craig Yagi regarding income at (916) 552-9522.

Original Signed By

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