

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



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 09-20

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 2009 - BEGINNING

MAY 1, 2009

On February 20, 2009, the Governor signed into law Senate Bill X3 6 (Chapter 13, Statues of 2009). In accordance with this new law, State Supplementary Payment Standards will be reduced. The new 2009 income limits for the Aged and Disabled Federal Poverty Level (A&D FPL) are effective May 1, 2009.

Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 14005.40 requires that the A&D FPL be the greatest of Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment Payment Standard or 100 percent of the FPL plus \$230 for an individual or \$310 for couples.

The income limit for an A&D FPL individual of \$1133 remains the same. This income limit is equal to \$903 (100 percent of the FPL) plus the \$230 standard disregard for an individual.

The A&D FPL income limit for couples will be \$1525 as of May 1, 2009. For purposes of using the A&D FPL worksheet (100 percent for couples FPL is \$1215 plus the \$310 standard disregard for a couple = \$1525).

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

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