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To: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

Letter No. 82-44

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (EA) PROGRAMS

This is in reference to the Department of Social Services' (DSS) All County Letter No. 82-67 (dated July 9, 1982) instructing counties on the processing of Emergency Assistance - Unemployed Parent (EA-UP) Emergency Assistance - Abused, Neglected or Exploited Children (EA-ANEC).

Based upon current state law (Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14050.1 and 14005.1) individuals receiving an aid payment under the Emergency Assistance program are considered public assistance recipients and are entitled to Medi-Cal benefits. Therefore, effective July 1, 1982, individuals receiving these special EA payments will be eligible for Medi-Cal benefits and a Medi-Cal card. In order to identify these individual programs, two new aid codes have been established: aid code 06 (EA-UP) and aid code 43 (EA-ANEC). Individuals eligible as aid code 43 must not be more than 21 years 0 months of age. Persons eligible in these two categories will receive an EA payment for 30 days; therefore, they could receive a Medi-Cal card for two months before being discontinued from those programs.

The Department of Health Services will add aid codes 06 and 43 to Article 5C of the Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual in the near future. In addition to this letter, a CID Bulletin establishing the aid codes will be sent to each county welfare department data processing liaison.

If you have any questions regarding the Emergency Assistance Program, please contact the Department of Social Services as indicated in All County Letter No. 82-67.

If you have any questions regarding the new aid codes, contact your Medi-Cal Program Consultant.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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