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To: All County Welfare Directors

Letter No. 84- 46

## TICKLER SYSTEM FOR PERSONS DETERMINED INELIGIBLE UNDER THE PICKLE AMENDMENT

Reference: 83-16, 83-38, 83-74

The Preliminary Injunction in the case of Lynch vs. Rank requires that county welfare departments use a special code or tickler system for each Medi-Cal case involving a person who: (1) currently receives Title II benefits, (2) in any month after April 1977, received Title II benefits concurrently with SSI benefits, and (3) is determined ineligible for Medi-Cal under the Pickle Amendment. The requirements for this tickler system were outlined in All County Letter No. 83-74 and this letter is not a change from those instructions but rather a reminder of the specific criteria required by the court order.

Each person meeting the above criteria must be included in the tickler system and must have an annual eligibility redetermination in accordance with Section 50189. These redeterminations must be completed in either December 1984 or February 1985 (the month preceding or following the Title II cost of living increase in January).

Any person answering "yes" to questions 1, 2 and 3 and "no" to question 4 on the Individual Screening Worksheet must be flagged as should anyone determined ineligible after completion of the Financial Eligibility Worksheet. Also, anyone voluntarily choosing to become medically needy instead of Pickle eligible (categorically needy) should be flagged.

Any questions regarding this letter should be directed to Kristi Banion at (916) 324-4961 ATSS 354-4961.

Sincerely,

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