

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

714/744 P STREET
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

July 8, 1988

TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County Administrative Officers

Letter: 88- 44

SUBJECT: FY 1988/89 Proposed Maintenance and Income In Kind Levels

This letter provides you with information on the proposed maintenance need and income in kind levels for FY 1988/89 for the Medi-Cal program.

Because of a predicted shortfall in this year's budget, efforts have been undertaken to either reduce the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) or delay implementing the COLA until January 1, 1989, or both.

In the event the proposed 4.7% COLA is approved, the attached proposed maintenance need levels would become effective July 1, 1988. If implementation of the COLA is delayed, the effective date would be January 1, 1989.

We will immediately inform you via a SYSM whether the proposed maintenance need and income in kind levels are correct or will be revised and the effective date of the increase.

Also you should be aware that the Personal Needs Allowance (PNA) for SSI recipients in long-term care (LTC) has been increased to \$40 effective July 1, 1988. However, no provisions were made to also increase the PNA for the medically needy (MN) Medi-Cal beneficiaries in LTC. Therefore, until further notice, the PNA for MNs will remain at \$35.

Please direct any questions regarding this notice to Maggie Lara at (916) 324-4966.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Frank S. Martucci, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

Attachment

cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons
Medi-Cal Program Consultants

Expiration Date: June 17, 1989

PROPOSED MAINTENANCE NEED LEVELS EFFECTIVE FY 1988/89

<u>Number of Persons in MFBU</u>	<u>Maintenance Need</u>
1 person in all situations	\$ 575
2 persons	\$ 714
2 adults	\$ 892
3 persons	\$ 892
4 persons	\$1,059
5 persons	\$1,200
6 persons	\$1,350
7 persons	\$1,484
8 persons	\$1,617
9 persons	\$1,742
10 Persons	\$1,875

For each addition person add \$13.

The maintenance need level for Medi-Cal only beneficiaries in long-term care remains at \$35.

The maintenance need level for SSI eligibles in long-term care is increased to \$40 effective July 1, 1988

The home upkeep allowance specified in Title 22 CCR, Section 50605(c)(1) will be \$200

The home upkeep allowance specified in Title 22, CCR Section 50605(c)(2) and (3) will be \$134

PROPOSED INCOME IN KIND LEVELS EFFECTIVE FY 1988/89

	<u>Housing</u>	<u>Utilities</u>
1 person	\$146	\$32
2 persons	\$197	\$36
3 persons	\$215	\$38
4 or more persons	\$226	\$39

	<u>Food</u>	<u>Clothing</u>
1 person	\$ 82	\$ 26
2 persons	\$174	\$ 47
3 persons	\$222	\$ 72
4 persons	\$273	\$ 96
5 persons	\$331	\$120
6 persons	\$383	\$142
7 persons	\$427	\$170
8 persons	\$468	\$190
9 persons	\$513	\$217
10 or more persons	\$556	\$238