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TO: All County Welfare Directors All County Administrative Officers January 16, 1989 Letter No.: 89-06

SUBJECT: INCAPACITY

Reference: All County Welfare Directors Letter 87-14

This is a reminder that not only should incapacity be verified in accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 50167(a)(2), but the parent must meet the criteria for physical or mental incapacity as defined in Title 22, CCR, Section 50211.

It has come to our attention that some counties may have been using only acceptable verification of incapacity to determine if a parent is incapacitated rather than in conjunction with the other required criteria. All County Welfare Directors Letter 87-14 addressed only the verification process.

For example, although a parent has a current Certificate of Disability form and the incapacity is expected to last at least 30 days, if the parent has no recent full time work history or the incapacity does not substantially reduce or eliminate the parent's ability to support or care for the child, the parent would not be incapacitated for purposes of determining deprivation.

If you have any questions, please contact Margie Buzdas at (916) 324-4972.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons Medi-Cal Program Consultants

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