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To: All County Welfare Directors

All County Administrative Officers

August 30, 1990 Letter No.: 90-81

SUBJECT: HUNT VS. KIZER ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS

REFERENCE: 89-87, 89-111, 90-11, 90-75

All County Welfare Directors Letter (ACWDL) 90-75 instructed county welfare directors (CWD) on records retention and the revisions to the MC 177 as a result of this case. Two of the instructions in that ACWDL need additional clarification.

1. CWDs shall not destroy any case records for applicants who were denied Medi-Cal coverage and for share of cost beneficiaries who were terminated from Medi-Cal coverage.

The instruction in ACWDL 90-75 pertained only to cases which involved a SOC and required CWDs to retain the records for these cases from January 1, 1986 forward. This date has now been changed to all records described above.

2. CWDs should note that in <u>all</u> instances where MC 177s are manually processed the words "only those medical/dental expenses incurred on this month may be listed on this form" located in the upper left box on the form must be blacked out and replaced with "see new instructions coming in the mail."

Originally in ACWDL 90-75 there was a distinction made between CWDs that manually process the forms and those that are computer generated. All CWDs even those that normally generate the forms by computer, <u>must</u> black out the above language and insert the new wording on any and all MC 177s.

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If you have any questions concerning the $\underline{\text{Hunt}}$ vs. $\underline{\text{Kizer}}$ lawsuit, please call Kristi McCall at (916) 445-6855.

Sincerely,

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Expiration date: July 31, 1991