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All County Welfare Directors
All County Administrative Officers
All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

Sneede v Kizer Claiming Procedures

This ACWDL will: 1) transmit the Sneede v. Kizer Phase II Claiming Procedures, 2) provide information regarding the implementation date of the Sneede claiming procedures, and 3) provide information regarding the claiming forms. The procedures and forms transmitted in this letter were the result of ongoing negotiations with the plaintiff's attorney. We wish to take this opportunity to thank those counties which submitted suggestions for revisions to the procedures and forms. All comments were seriously considered and many were incorporated.

CLAIMING PROCEDURES

Pursuant to the Sneede v Kizer court order, counties are to follow the enclosed procedures to determine Sneede retroactive reimbursement of all Medi-Cal Only cases containing a class member.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE

As of right now, our plan is to implement these claiming procedures on April 1, 1992 for the Phase II period only (from January 1, 1990 to the current month of eligibility).

At this time we are in negotiations with the plaintiffs regarding the dates covered in the Phase III retroactive period. To reduce the impact on the beneficiaries and reduce administrative costs, our goal was to implement both Phase II and Phase III at the same time. However, we are unable to do that until a settlement regarding Phase III is reached. Counties will be informed if a settlement is reached prior to April 1, 1992, and whether Phase III will be implemented at the same time as Phase II. In the absence of any further information, counties are to implement these procedures on April 1, 1992 for the Phase II period only.

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FORMS

Attachments one through nineteen are draft copies of the forms to be used to implement these procedures. We anticipate the Application For Reimbursement of Medical Expenses (Sneede v. Kizer), MC 175 R-8 and the Cover Letter For Application For Reimbursement of Medical Expenses (Sneede v. Kizer), MC 175 R-14 to be in the Warehouse by the first week of March 1992. Counties should submit their order for these forms as soon as possible to ensure distribution by April 1, 1992. Other forms will be available soon afterwards. Several forms have been held up awaiting a settlement regarding the Phase III period.

Again, we thank those counties which submitted suggestions to clarify these procedures and forms. If there are any questions, please contact Marie Leonard of my staff at (916) 657-2701.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY,

Frank S. Martucci, Chief
Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

Enclosure

cc: All County Sneede Retroactive Claims Coordinators

To obtain enclosure, call the Release desk at (916) 653-8584.