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TO: All County Welfare Directors  
All County Administrative Officers  
All County Medi-Cal Liaisons

Letter No: 92-76

SUBJECT: ANNUAL SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION TITLE II INCREASES AND THE  
FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL.

REFERENCE: 90-109, 91-118

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This purpose of this letter is to inform counties that annual Title II Social Security Administration (SSA) benefit increases for all poverty level programs except that of the Qualified Working Disabled Individual (QWDI) program should be disregarded from January 1 through March 31st. This prevents any discontinuances which would otherwise occur due to those COLAS being effective before the effective date of the annual federal poverty levels revisions which are not revised until April 1.

We had previously informed counties to disregard this Title II cost of living adjustment (COLA) for the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB) program only. Counties must now disregard this COLA for the 100, 133, 185, and 200 Percent programs for pregnant women and children for the same period.

If you have any questions, please contact Margie Buzdas at (916) 657-0726.

Sincerely,

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