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

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MC 210 AND SAWS 2 UPDATE

The purpose of this letter is to give the counties updated information concerning the use of the SAWS 2 Statement of Facts for Medi-Cal applications and the proposed evaluation/revision schedule for the MC 210.

The Department of Health Services (DHS) began on-site evaluations of the use of the revised MC 210 Statement of Facts during June and July 1994 in six target counties. The six counties selected are Los Angeles, San Bernardino, El Dorado, Alameda, Sutter, and Lake.

During July 1994, questionnaires will be mailed to every county to solicit information in regard to the MC 210 usage and for suggestions to further revise the form.

In August 1994, DHS will publish the results of the evaluations and questionnaires via an All County Welfare Directors Letter. If additional information is needed for DHS to complete its evaluation, two regional meetings will be held (possibly in September 1994).

Many counties have inquired if the SAWS 2 Statement of Facts may be used as an optional form in lieu of the MC 210. Senate Bill 822 (Chapter 1446, Statutes of 1989) and Assembly Bill 4068 (Chapter 1552, Statutes of 1990) both required the development and use of a shortened Statement of Facts form to streamline and simplify the application process not only for the applicant but for the eligibility worker (EW) as well.

Due to this legislative requirement, **it is not permissible for a non-SAWS county to use the SAWS 2 form due to its 13 page length.** Additionally, it has been determined that some counties may be using the JA 2 in an effort to train the EW to become generic. This also is not permissible. **The JA 2 cannot be used in place of the MC 210** for initial Medi-Cal-Only applications. Only SAWS and ISAWS counties are permitted to use the SAWS 2 Statement of Facts.

If you have any additional questions about the MC 210 evaluation process, please direct them to Leanna Pierson at (916) 654-0630. Questions concerning the MC 210 Statement of Facts form should be directed to Gary Varner at (916) 654-5321 or Ana Ramirez at (916) 657-1401.

Sincerely,

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