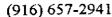
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TO: All County Welfare Directors

All County Administrative Officers

All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

1996 MEDICARE CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE ACT (MCCA) SPOUSAL IMPOVERISHMENT CAPS

The purpose of this letter is to provide county welfare departments with the new maximum income and property caps under MCCA. Effective January 1, 1996, the community spouse resource allowance is \$76,740; the new maximum spousal income allocation/minimum monthly maintenance need allowance is \$1,919 per month.

If you have any questions on this issue, please call Sharyl Shanen-Raya regarding property at (916) 657-2942, or Dave Rappolee regarding income at (916) 657-0163.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY,

Frank S. Martucci, Chief Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch