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

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TRANSITIONAL MEDI-CAL (TMC) AND WEDFARE

The purpose of this All County Welfare Directors Letter is to inform counties that Assembly Bill 3483 amended Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code Sections 14005.8 and 14005.85 and added W&I Code Section 14005.81 to change TMC upon receipt of a federal waiver approval. Once the waiver is approved, persons receiving TMC because they were terminated from Aid to Families with Dependent Children due to increased hours of employment, income from employment, or loss of the earned income disregard will be eligible for TWO years of TMC. However, this additional year will NOT be provided to persons who are also receiving TMC due to the reuniting of spouses or marriage (Wedfare).

Since all TMC recipients are currently in the same aid codes (39 and 59), counties are requested to "flag" any Wedfare cases they initiate or become aware of during status reporting etc. so that when the federal waiver is approved, these persons can be placed in a new aid code.

More instructions will be sent at a later date. If you have any further questions, please contact Margie Buzdas of my staff at (916) 657-0726.

Sincerely,

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