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TO: All County Welfare Directors

All County Public Health Directors

All County Administrative Officers

All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

All County MEDS Coordinators

NEW SOCIAL SECURITY CODES

The purpose of this letter is to inform county welfare departments of the new Social Security Administration Payment Status codes that will be sent through the State Data Exchange (SDX) regarding termination of benefits for certain individuals who are not eligible under the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 and the Balanced Budget Act.

The following chart identifies <u>NEW</u> SSI/SSP Payment Status Codes for individuals who are not eligible for SSI/SSP-based Medi-Cal because of their residency status:

PAYMENT STATUS CODE (MEDS QX SCREEN)	RESIDÉNCY STATUS	MEDI-CAL ONLY ELIGIBILITY
N22	Claimant is an Inmate of a Public Institution	Ineligible
N23	Claimant is not a resident of the United States.	Restricted Services
N24	Claimant has been convicted of a felony of fraudulently misrepresenting residence in order to receive benefits/services (SSI, Medicaid, California Work Opportunity Responsibility to Kids, Food Stamps) simultaneously in two or more states.	Ineligible
N25	Claimant is fleeing to avoid prosecution for, or custody or confinement after conviction for, a crime which is a felony under the law of the place from which he/she flees, or is violating a condition of probation or parole imposed under Federal or State Law.	Ineligible

If there are any questions, please contact Ms. Elena Lara at (916) 657-0712.

Sincerely,

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