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

APPROPRIATE USE OF FORM MC 222 -- DED PENDING INFORMATION UPDATE

The purpose of this letter is to review when it is appropriate to send the form MC 222 to State Programs-Disability and Adult Programs Division (SP-DAPD) (formerly Disability Evaluation Division or DED). SP-DAPD has informed us that counties are frequently using the MC 222 when they should be using the MC 221, Disability Determination and Transmittal form.

There are frequent situations where SP-DAPD returns a DED referral to the county as a Z56, no determination because the client failed to cooperate. If the county is later able to obtain the client's cooperation and good cause exists, a new MC 221 must be resubmitted as either a limited or full packet. A limited packet would be submitted if there is no new allegation or treatment source. A full packet would be required if a new medical condition is alleged and/or new or additional medical source(s) is mentioned. A MC 222 should **NOT** be submitted under this situation.

Counties should send the MC 222 only if SP-DAPD has **NOT** returned the case to the county. The MC 222 was specifically developed to report changes to SP-DAPD while the case is pending at SP-DAPD. Examples of changes which should be reported are changes in client's address, telephone number, withdrawal of the case by a client, denial/discontinuance of a case, death of a client, etc.

If you have any questions regarding the MC 222, please contact Ms. Marie Taketa of my staff at (916) 657-1250.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch