

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

March 26, 1985

To: All County Welfare Directors
County Administrative Officers

Letter No. 85-23

NINE MONTH CONTINUING MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY BASED ON DISCONTINUANCE FROM AFDC DUE TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE \$30 PLUS 1/3 EARNED INCOME DISREGARD PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 1984.

Reference: All County Welfare Directors Letter No. 85-8

This is to inform you that persons who are potentially eligible for the "Previously Discontinued" Nine Month Continuing Medi-Cal based on discontinuance from AFDC prior to October 1, 1984 due to the expiration of the \$30 plus 1/3 deduction will be individually notified by Department of Health Services of their potential eligibility for the new nine month coverage. In addition, the application deadline has been extended to June 30, 1985.

All County Welfare Directors (ACL) No. 85-8 dated January 25, 1985 provided information and initial instructions to counties for implementing Nine Month Continuing for "Previously Discontinued" families. Attached to the January 25th letter was a notice which county welfare departments (CWDs) were instructed to post in reception areas. The letter and the notice stated that applications for "Previously Discontinued" Nine Month Continuing Medi-Cal could be made through March 31, 1985.

As stated above, the March 31, 1985 deadline has been extended to June 30, 1985. New posters will be issued in April; in the interim, please immediately hand correct the posted notice to reflect the extended June 30, 1985 deadline. Counties are further required to accept applications filed through June 30, 1985.

The Department anticipates that individual notices will be issued in April to all families who were previously identified under the aid code 39 or aid code 30 with post indicator (Four Month Continuing Eligibles). The notice will explain that persons discontinued from AFDC due to increased earnings or hours of employment are not eligible for Nine Month Continuing Medi-Cal. Hopefully, this message will limit the applicants to only those persons who could potentially qualify for benefits. As explained in ACL 85-8, further instructions on processing these applications will be issued in the near future.

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We regret any inconvenience this may cause you. Please contact
Catherine Buber-Chatten at (916) 324-1972 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons
Medi-Cal Program Consultants

Expiration Date: August 30, 1985