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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NO. I-103-10

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL WELFARE TO WORK COORDINATORS ALL CalWORKS PROGRAM COORDINATORS

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SUBJECT: EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT OUTREACH PUBLICATIONS –

2010 REVISIONS

REFERENCE: THE EDUCATION JOBS AND MEDICAID ASSISTANCE ACT OF

2010 (PUBLIC LAW 111-226)

The purpose of this letter is to notify County Welfare Departments (CWDs) that the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) outreach publications, Pub 428 and Pub 429, have been revised for tax year 2010. These publications were originally produced by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) in 2007 in order to strengthen state and county efforts to promote the EITC to our California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and CalFresh client populations. They have been revised annually to reflect changes for each tax year.

For tax year 2010, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act continues to:

- Provide a temporary increase in the EITC for taxpayers with three or more qualifying children;
- Increase the income limits and maximum credit amount for all tax filers; and
- Allow taxpayers with lower income to qualify for the Child Tax Credit (CTC).

An additional change to the EITC includes the repeal of the Advance EITC beginning in tax year 2011. The Advance EITC was eliminated by Public Law 111-226, the Education Jobs and Medicaid Assistance Act of 2010, which was signed into law on

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August 10, 2010. Filers will no longer be able to receive advance payment of the EITC on their paychecks after December 31, 2010. Information encouraging recipients to request the Advance EITC has therefore been removed from the publications.

The publications are in English on one side and Spanish on the other. The Pub 428 is a Z-fold brochure format and the Pub 429 is a one-page flyer format. Both publications are available for download at the Department's web page at: http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb/PG167.htm. Samples are attached.

CDSS recognizes that many CWDs already have existing EITC outreach campaigns in process, and the Department strongly encourages the continuation of those efforts. These materials are provided to augment EITC outreach efforts where needed. CWDs are encouraged to reproduce and distribute the flyer and brochure at their own discretion.

If you have any questions about these publications, please contact the CalWORKs Eligibility Bureau at (916) 654-1322.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

KÄREN DICKERSON, Chief Employment and Eligibility Branch

Attachments