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October 30, 2015

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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 15-86

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL CALWORKS PROGRAM SPECIALISTS ALL CALFRESH COORDINATORS ALL CONSORTIA PROJECT MANAGERS

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CalWORKs): REVISED NOTICE OF ACTION (NOA) MESSAGES FOR INCREASED PROPERTY LIMITS

REFERENCES: <u>ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) 14-107</u>

This All County Letter (ACL) transmits copies of the revised CalWORKs property limit NOA messages M42-207A and M44-316C SAR.

Revised NOA Messages

<u>M42-207A (10/15)</u> has been revised to change the title from "\$2,000 Property Limit" to "Over Property Limit." This NOA message is used to deny an application when the applicant is over the property limit. This NOA message will now be accurate even if the property limits change again in the future.

<u>M44-316C SAR (10/15)</u> has been revised to correct the reference to the property limit from \$2,000 to \$2,250.

County Welfare Departments (CWDs) must begin using the revised NOA messages as soon as administratively possible, but no later than **May 1, 2016**. CWDs must use alternative means of informing clients until automation of the revised NOA messages are programmed in the Statewide Automated Welfare Systems.

ACL No. 14-107, dated December 31, 2014, informed the CWDs that effective October 1, 2014, CalWORKs was changing their resource limit for CalWORKs

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families from \$2,000 to \$2,250 in order to align with CalFresh's new resource limit. The revised NOA messages are to be used in conjunction with the instructions issued in ACL No. 14-107.

CAMERA READY COPIES AND TRANSLATIONS

For a camera-ready copy in English, contact the CDSS Forms Management Unit at <u>fmudss@dss.ca.gov</u>. If your office has internet access, you may obtain these forms from the CDSS webpage at: <u>http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb/FormsandPu_271.htm</u>.

When all translations are completed per Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section 21-115.2, they are posted on an on-going basis on the CDSS webpage. Copies of the translated forms can be obtained at: <u>http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb/FormsandPu_274.htm</u>.

For questions on translated materials, please contact the CDSS Language Services at (916) 651-8876. Until translations are available, recipients who have elected to receive materials in languages other than English should be sent the English version of the form or notice along with the *GEN 1365 - Notice of Language Services* and a local contact number.

The CWDs shall ensure that effective bilingual services are provided. This requirement may be met through utilization of paid interpreters, qualified bilingual employees, and qualified employees of other agencies or community resources. These services shall be provided free of charge to the applicant/recipient. In the event that CDSS does not provide translations of a form, it is the CWD's responsibility to provide interpreter services if an applicant or recipient requests them. More information regarding translations can be found in MPP Section 21-115.

If you have any questions or need further information regarding this letter, please contact your county consultant or call the CalWORKs Eligibility Bureau at (916) 654-1322.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

TODD R. BLAND Deputy Director Welfare to Work Division

Attachments