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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 82-34

TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL-COUNTY AUDITORS  
ALL-COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS  
ALL-COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS: CHAPTER 3, STATUTES OF 1982 (AB 2X)

As you are aware, changes reflected in Chapter 3, Statutes of 1982 (AB 2X) enable California to comply with the provisions of the Federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. The purpose of this letter is to provide changes in assistance claiming instructions necessitated by AFDC program changes made pursuant to AB 2X.

1. AFDC PAYMENTS TO THE PREGNANT WOMAN

a. Persons Counts

An AFDC payment can no longer be made on behalf of the unborn child; therefore, a persons count will not be claimed for the unborn child. A Family Budget Unit (FBU) of one may be established for a pregnant woman who meets the requirements of Manual Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section 44-205.25. In such a case, a non-federal adult count only (no child count) is claimed for the woman who has been medically verified pregnant, but whose pregnancy has not reached the three-month period before the month of anticipated birth (MPP Section 44-209.42).

When the pregnancy of a woman who constitutes an FBU of one and who meets the requirements for federal eligibility (see MPP Section 44-209.23) reaches the three-month period before the month of anticipated birth, the persons count is changed to one federal adult. If the woman does not meet the requirements for federal eligibility, one non-federal adult is claimed for this period of the pregnancy.

b. Pregnancy Special Needs

Provision is made in MPP Section 44-211.4 for payment of \$70 pregnancy special need. Any AFDC payment which includes an amount for pregnancy special needs must be identified on the payroll with the suggested code SN or the approved county code used to identify other special need payments.

2. NO PAYMENT OF AFDC BECAUSE THE AMOUNT THE FAMILY WOULD RECEIVE IS LESS THAN TEN DOLLARS

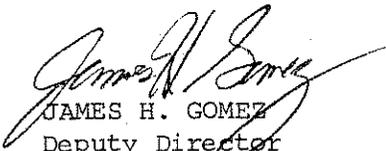
If the amount of the total AFDC grant for the month as determined in accordance with MPP Section 44-315.43 is less than \$10, no payment shall be made for that month. The case will be classified as a zero grant case and the persons count shown on the payroll. Because the individuals within the FBU must be counted as recipients for federal reporting purposes, the persons count must be carried forward to the Summary Report (CA 800). The persons counts for these cases are to be included with the persons counts for cases reduced to zero because of a prior overpayment and the total carried forward to Line 4 of the CA 800. Currently, this item on the CA 800 is identified as "Zero Grant-Overpayment Adjustment"; however, this will be changed at the time other revisions to the form are required.

3. SPOUSAL SUPPORT

Spousal support will no longer be reported as an abatement on Line 8 of the CA 800. MPP Section 43-106 provides that the spousal support collections shall be distributed in the same manner as child support collections. For further information, please refer to Family Support Division Letter (FSD) 82-2.

If you have any questions concerning these instructions, please contact Gen Whitfield at (916) 445-7046 or ATSS (8) 485-7046.

Sincerely,

  
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