
where the rent does not exceed 80% of the MAP. If the assistance unit shares housing, the assistance unit's share of housing may not exceed 80% of the MAP.

The second step requires the county to determine the amount of a security deposit that it can pay to the assistance unit as a special need payment. In accord with MPP §§44-211.531 and .532, the county may provide a special need payment not to exceed two months rent when the security deposit is necessary to secure permanent housing. In subsidized or shared housing situations, the amount the assistance unit is obligated to pay to secure permanent housing is used.

For example, an assistance unit finds permanent housing that rents for \$800 monthly. The assistance unit receives a \$160 subsidy either from HUD or from a third party. Since the assistance unit receives a \$160 subsidy, its share of the rent is \$640. The applicable MAP for four persons is \$811 and 80% of this is \$648. Since the assistance unit's rent of \$640 is less than \$648, the housing arrangement is acceptable under MPP §44-211.531. The first step of the two-step process is met.

In step 2, the assistance unit is requesting \$1440 for the security deposit and last month's rent (i.e., \$640 for rent and \$800 for the security deposit.) The county may authorize payment for the \$1440 because it is less than \$1600, which is the equivalent of two month's rent and the portion of the security deposit attributable to a month's rent (\$640) is less than 80% of the MAP (\$648).

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Item 01-10-01A ACL 01-39 July 5, 2001 (Synopsis): 2001 Regional Market Rate Ceilings

2001 Regional Market Rate Ceilings

This ACL provides the 2001 Regional Market Rate ceilings for California child care providers and institutions to use with the Regional Market Rate listing.

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Item 01-09-01I ACWDL 01-47 - -August 20, 2001 (Synopsis): Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) General Information Notice (MC003)

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) General Information Notice (MC003)

In order to fulfill some requirements of Emily Q. et al. v. Bonta, an MC 003 was mailed to all Medi-Cal beneficiaries through a special mailing. To complete the requirements of this case, counties are required to begin informing new beneficiaries of EPSDT services at the time of application and annually thereafter.

English and Spanish versions of the MC 003 are available and attached to this ACWDL. The MC 003 form explains what EPSDT services are, how a person can get such services, what are EPSDT mental health services and where to call for more information. The telephone number for the Department of Mental Health Ombudsman is 1-800-896-4042.

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Item 01-09-01H ACWDL 01-45 - -August 7, 2001 (Synopsis): TMC Flyer

TMC Flyer

SB 391 requires the DHS to implement certain informing provisions of the TMC program. A TMC flyer was developed and is attached to this ACWDL. Presently, the TMC flyer is only required for CalWORKs and §1931(b) applicants and for §1931(b) recipients if they fail to return the annual redetermination.

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Item 01-09-01G ACWDL 01-40 - -July 20, 2001 (Synopsis): Continuous Eligibility for Children (CEC) Program
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Continuous Eligibility for Children (CEC) Program

Reference: ACWDL 99-06 and 01-01; Medi-Cal Eligibility Procedures Manual §5H

This ACWDL provides 24 questions and answers about the CEC program. Assembly Bill 2900 establishes the CEC program for children for up to 12 months which ends with the earlier of the next eligibility determination period or the child's 19th birthday. CEC is effective January 1, 2001. The purpose of the CEC program is to continue to provide \$0 share of cost Medi-Cal to a child until the next annual redetermination even if the rest of the family is no longer eligible for \$0 share of cost Medi-Cal prior to the redetermination.

The CEC period begins with first month Medi-Cal eligibility is established or the first month impacted by an annual redetermination and ends 12 months later (unless the child turns 19 in less than 12 months). The CEC is triggered only when there is a change from