

ITEM 06-12-1: Paraphrased Regulations

This version of the paraphrased regulations provides 31 additions and 23 revisions to paraphrased regulations. There are also three deleted paraphrased regulations.

The major areas of changes are in the in-home service area. There is a new issue code 568-QA Needs Assessments for the new hourly task guidelines that become effective for all needs assessments made on or after September 1, 2006. There are 20 new paraphrased regulations added to this new issue code.

Note that MPP §30-758 for time per task guidelines has been repealed and many of the regulations in 30-758 have been moved to various subsections in §30-757. There are also new regulations addressing the IHSS Plus Waiver program found at MPP §30-700.3 and .4 (paraphrased regulation 567-3B) and in §30-785 (in several paraphrased regulations in the 567 area).

There are also changes to protective supervision regulations in the form of emergency regulations. New paraphrased regulation sections 626-1A through 626-1C add these protective supervision provisions. Proposed changes to these emergency protective supervision regulations have been submitted to the Office of Administrative Law and those changes should be completed by the end of December. Those proposed changes are not part of this paraphrased regulation package. A separate package will be issued in January that will include any changes made to the protective supervision regulations (§30-757.17)

There are also revised regulations in the Medi-Cal Special Programs Sections (paraphrased regulation 431 and 439) to update annual changes such as increase in the CSRA and MMMNA, in section 447 dealing with Pickle and in the CAPI sections (825 and 826) citing annual increases in CAPI limits.

ITEM 06-9-1: Paraphrased Regulations

This version of the paraphrased regulations provides 23 additions and 26 revisions to paraphrased regulations. There are also two deleted paraphrased regulations.

The major areas of changes are in:

- the CalWORKs special needs section (170-175) because All County Letter 06-25 notified of changes to homeless assistance provisions;
- the food stamps income section (260-269) and deduction section (270-273) because of changes in food stamps rules effective October 2006 such as changing child support payments from a deduction to an exemption, allowing for additional exemptions consistent with CalWORKs regulations, making the standard utility allowance (SUA) mandatory instead of optional, as well as annual fiscal year increases in deductions such as shelter costs, standard deduction, SUA, etc.
- Please note that in the foster care section (180-186) paraphrased regulation 181-3K has been added because All County Letter (ACL) 06-19 advised that the elimination of *Rosales* provisions is now implemented June 9, 2006.
- Please also note that there are changes in the welfare-to-work section (100-108) including reference to ACL 06-27 and Welfare and Institutions Code (W&IC) 11327.5 because effective

July 12, 2006, a sanctioned individual may end a sanction without having a minimum sanction period imposed if the individual cooperate with welfare-to-work.

ITEM 06-7-1: Paraphrased Regulations

This version of the paraphrased regulations provides 40 additions and 18 revisions to paraphrased regulations. There are also 12 deleted paraphrased regulations and one renumbered one.

The major areas of changes are in:

- the CalWORKs Welfare-to Work section (100-108) because regulations attached to All-County Letter (ACL) 06-09 deleted the 18 and 24-month time limits and added provisions regarding core and non-core activities;
- the CalWORKs foster care section (180-186) because All-County Information Notice (ACIN) I-19-06 advised of federal law that eliminated the *Rosales* provisions effective October 1, 2005 and ACIN I-27-06 addressed court order requirements in placing children in foster care;
- the Medi-Cal county/applicant/recipient responsibility sections (410) and (411-418) because All County Welfare Director's Letter (ACWDL) 06-16 is a 25-page letter with a lot of information regarding Medi-Cal applications; and
- the Medi-Cal section regarding PCSP (560-567) because ACIN I-28-06 provided answers to questions regarding PCSP and the IHSS Plus waiver program

Issue code 448 now includes the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program (BCCTP) as ACWDL 06-09 has finally been issued that provides some information about BCCTP.

ITEM 06-3-2: NEW RULES REGARDING COMMUNITY SPOUSE RESOURCE ALLOWANCE (CSRA)

The rules regarding increasing the CSRA have changed due to passage of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005.

In Notes from the Training Bureau 99-4-1, the issue concerning the CSRA was discussed. That *Notes* began as follows:

In state hearings, a common issue involves a county denial of a Medi-Cal application for an institutionalized spouse due to excess property. The institutionalized spouse has an at-home spouse (herein community spouse). The couple has countable community and separate resources in excess of the Community Spouse Resource Allowance (CSRA) and wishes to raise the CSRA at the state hearing so that Medi-Cal eligibility can be established for the institutionalized spouse.

Notes from the Training Bureau 99-4-1 was then published as Department of Health Services All County Welfare Director's Letter 99-29 that was titled: "Guidelines Used by Administrative Law Judges when an