February 4, 2016

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE (ACIN) NO. I-12-16

TO:    ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
       ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
       ALL IHSS PROGRAM MANAGERS
       ALL PUBLIC AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT:    CLARIFICATION ON COMPLETING PUBLIC AUTHORITY/NON-PROFIT
            CONSORTIUM RATE CHANGE FORM (SOC 449) FOR NON-LOCALLY
            DETERMINED HEALTH BENEFIT INCREASES

REFERENCES:  All County Letter 15-78, DATED OCTOBER 9, 2015

The California Department of Social Services has received several inquiries regarding the process for completing the Public Authority/Non-Profit Consortium (PA/NPC) Rate Change Form (SOC 449) for health benefit premium increases, specifically those involving state-imposed taxes or assessments, by a Health Plan.

Since non-locally determined health benefit increases do not impact the county Maintenance of Effort, they should be reflected on line 7, Health Benefits (non-locally negotiated) on the SOC 449. Regardless of the reason for the health benefit rate increase; this same process should be followed for increases that are non-locally determined.

For information regarding the general process for requesting a PA/NPC rate change, please refer to All County Letter 15-78, dated October 9, 2015.

For any questions or concerns regarding these processes, please contact Karen La Rose, Manager, Public Authority Unit, at (916) 653-1908.

Sincerely,

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