

Date: August 1, 2018

ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 18-82

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

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS
(CalWORKs) PROGRAM: IMPLEMENTATION OF SENATE BILL (SB)
380 (CHAPTER 729, STATUTES OF 2017)

REFERENCE: [SENATE BILL \(SB\) 380 \(CHAPTER 729, STATUTES OF 2017\)](#);
[WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE \(WIC\) SECTIONS 11008.14](#)
[11265.3, 11265.47 AND 11450.17](#); MANUAL OF POLICIES AND
PROCEDURES (MPP) SECTIONS [44-101\(f\)](#), [44-101\(f\)\(1\)\(A\)](#),
[44-101\(f\)\(1\)\(D\)](#), [44-111.23](#), [44-133.51-53](#), [82-500](#) and [CW 52 FORM](#)

The purpose of this letter is to provide guidance to County Welfare Departments (CWDs) regarding the implementation of SB 380 (Chapter 729, Statutes of 2017), signed by the Governor on October 12, 2017. Effective November 1, 2018, SB 380 will allow a CalWORKs assistance unit (AU) to elect to receive full child support payments for a stepsibling or half-sibling of an eligible child in the AU in lieu of cash aid for the step/half-sibling, as specified, and exempts those child support payments from consideration in determining CalWORKs eligibility or grant amounts.

Existing Rules

Current law requires most CalWORKs applicants and recipients to assign child support rights to the county. Current law also requires the income of the natural or adoptive parent, the spouse of the natural or adoptive parent, and the sibling of an eligible child living in the same home with an eligible child to be available, in addition to the income of an applicant for or recipient of aid under the CalWORKs program, for purposes of eligibility determination and grant computation.

New Rules

Effective November 1, 2018, CalWORKs applicants and recipients will have the option to exclude the needs of stepsiblings and half-siblings from consideration in the determination of the Maximum Aid Payment (MAP) for the AU in order to keep one hundred percent of any current child support payments made on behalf of that child, as long as all of the following apply:

- (1) The stepsibling or half-sibling lives with at least one eligible child;
- (2) He or she is a child for whom child support payments are received.
- (3) The amount of current child support received each month for that child is greater than the cash aid amount for the child; and
- (4) The parent/caretaker relative has requested in writing that the child not be included in the number of needy persons used to calculate the MAP.

Under SB 380, the child's needs (not income and resources) are considered for the family Minimum Basic Standards of Adequate Care (MBSAC) but removed from consideration in determining the AU's MAP amount. The child would remain eligible for the purposes of all other programs and services (i.e., CalFresh, Medi-Cal, Child Care, Special Needs, Temporary Shelter Assistance, etc.), as long as all other eligibility conditions are met.

Any parent/caretaker relative who opts to exclude a step/half-sibling from the AU's MAP for purposes of receiving child support would continue to receive cash aid for all other eligible members in the AU. Any child support payments received on behalf of the step/half-sibling after his/her needs have been excluded from consideration when determining the MAP pursuant to SB 380 shall not be treated as income when determining CalWORKs eligibility or grant amounts.

Applicants and recipients who do not opt to exclude step/half-siblings from the AU's MAP under SB 380 would continue to receive the cash aid for the step/half-siblings and up to a \$50 pass-through payment, and the child support would be assigned to the county pursuant to current policy. The income of the step/half-sibling of the eligible child would continue to be considered available and included in the number of needy persons used to calculate the MAP. K1/3F families are eligible to exclude a step/half-sibling from the AU's MAP determination under SB 380.

If the step/half-sibling is not excluded from the MAP determination at application, the designation of whether or not a child is a step/half-sibling shall only be reevaluated during annual redetermination and/or the processing of the semiannual report, except when the parent or caretaker relative voluntarily reports mid-period that the child support payment or payments have decreased or ended. The request for re-evaluation of the designation must come from the parent/caretaker relative.

Step/half-siblings whose needs are excluded from the MAP determination pursuant to SB 380 are considered part of the AU and remain otherwise eligible for CalWORKs services. Therefore, if the parent/caretaker relative requests to add a previously excluded step/half-sibling's needs back into the MAP determination mid-period due to a loss or decrease of child support income, the step/half-sibling's needs must be considered in determining the AU's MAP, and the AU's grant must be increased within 10 days after verification of the change in income is received (pursuant to WIC sections 11265.3 and 11265.47). CWDs shall gather all required verifications at application as if the step/half-sibling were receiving cash aid to be able to meet the 10-day timeframe if a request were made to have a step/half-sibling's needs considered in the MAP determination mid-period.

For example: A family applies for cash aid and the parent/caretaker relative requests a step/half-sibling's needs be excluded from the AU's MAP determination pursuant to SB 380. The CWD shall request the half/step-sibling's birth certificate, Social Security Number (SSN), immunization records, etc. If at any time the parent/caretaker relative requests mid-period to add the step/half-sibling's needs back into the MAP determination due to a loss or decrease in the child support income, the CWD will have all necessary eligibility verifications on file and can meet the 10-day timeframe to increase the grant.

The CWD shall not delay or deny CalWORKs cash aid for the AU while gathering verification for SB 380 children. CWDs shall use current verification gathering timeframes for new CalWORKs applicants requesting to have a step/half-sibling's needs excluded from the MAP determination pursuant to SB 380. Current recipients should have verifications already on file for their aided children.

Treatment of Income

Effective November 1, 2018, Welfare and Institutions Code section 11008.14(a) requires that the income and resources of children whose needs are excluded from the MAP determination under SB 380 shall not be considered for the purposes of determining CalWORKs eligibility and the grant amount for the remaining AU members.

Child Turning 18 Years of Age:

When a child whose needs are excluded from determining the AU's MAP under SB 380 turns 18 years of age, and is either not attending school or not expected to graduate before his or her 19th birthday and is being discontinued from the CalWORKs case due to age limits for eligible children, any child support arrearages received by the parent/caretaker relative on behalf of that child are considered unearned income to the AU. The 18-year-old is considered an adult for the purposes of CalWORKs eligibility and the child support arrearages are paid to the parent/caretaker relative.

If the 18-year-old is enrolled in school and expected to graduate by his or her 19th birthday, he or she must continue to be considered a child for the purposes of

CalWORKs until he or she graduates or reaches his or her 19th birthday, whichever comes first and the 18-year-old's income would not count as long as she/he remains a CalWORKs child.

Social Security Income:

Other than Child Support and Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment (SSI/SSP), the most common type of income received by children is Social Security Administration (SSA)/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) from a parent.

Example 1: A step/half-sibling is receiving SSA Disability from the aided custodial parent and is also receiving child support from the absent parent.

- a. If the step/half-sibling is receiving child support that exceeds the CalWORKs grant amount, and if the parent/caretaker relative requests it in writing, the step/half-sibling's needs shall not be considered in the MAP and 100% of the child support payments shall be passed through to the parent/caretaker relative in the AU.
 - 1) When a child's needs are excluded from the MAP determination, his or her income is also excluded. Any income of the child is considered to be intended for the care and support of that child and not for the use of other members of the family.

Example 2: The step/half-sibling is receiving SSA Disability due to the absent parent's disability, which is credited as child support by the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS).

- a. The SSA Disability received from the non-custodial parent (NCP) is passed on to the family and is treated by DCSS as child support, the SSA Disability received from the NCP would also be treated as child support for the purposes of the total amount of child support received.
 - 1) If a step/half-sibling's needs have been removed from the family's MAP determination per SB 380, the SSA Disability would, for the purposes of income, also be excluded.

If the step/half-sibling receives both SSA Disability and child support, both sources would count towards the total child support amount received. If these payments, either separately or combined, exceed the CalWORKs grant amount for the child, the child would also be eligible to participate pursuant to SB 380.

Mandatory Inclusion Rules

Once a parent/caretaker relative has chosen to exclude a child's needs when determining the AU's MAP amount under the SB 380 rule, mandatory inclusion rules no

longer apply to that child and the child's needs can only be added back to the AU's MAP determination at the following times:

- (1) When the Semi-Annual Report (SAR 7) is due;
- (2) When the AU's Annual Redetermination is due;
- (3) When the parent or caretaker relative voluntarily reports mid-period that the child support payment or payments have decreased or ended, and the parent/caretaker relative requests the child's needs be reconsidered in determining the MAP pursuant to WIC sections 11265.3 (for SAR AUs) and 11265.47 (for Annual Reporting AUs).

The request to add the excluded child(ren)'s needs back to the MAP determination may be made on the SAR 7, the SAWS 2 Plus (annual redetermination form), AR 3 (Mid-Year Status Report AR/CO AUs), SAR 3 (Mid-Year Status Report SAR AUs), another written method such as a written statement or orally/verbally by the parent/caretaker relative.

A request to add a step/half-sibling's needs back into the MAP determination during the SAR 7 or annual redetermination process that does not result from a decrease or loss of the child support received on behalf of the child shall be made effective the first of the month following the date the request is made. If the request is made mid-period pursuant to WIC sections 11265.3 or 11265.47, the change shall be effective for the entire month in which the decrease or loss of child support income was reported, and the grant shall be increased within 10 days after verification of the loss or decrease of the child support income is received. Oral/verbal requests should have a corresponding journal entry into the case record documenting the request and reported loss or decrease of child support income.

CalFresh

SB 380 does not change eligibility standards for the CalFresh program. Child support payments received on behalf of an eligible household member(s) will be treated as unearned income when determining CalFresh eligibility and benefit amounts.

Medi-Cal

Although the needs of a child participating in SB 380 is not included in the AU's MAP determination, the child is included in the AU for all other purposes is considered "CalWORKs eligible." SB 380 children will remain eligible for cash-linked Medi-Cal if otherwise eligible until the child leaves the AU or the AU is discontinued from CalWORKs. In either of these instances, CWDs should not automatically discontinue the child from Medi-Cal and shall follow the current process for re-evaluating Medi-Cal beneficiaries when discontinued from CalWORKs.

Department of Child Support Services (DCSS)

Parents/caretaker relatives will need to know the monthly amount(s) of child support collected each month on behalf of the step/half-siblings in the AU in order to make an informed decision about whether to exclude the needs of the step/half-siblings in determining the MAP pursuant to this rule. Some existing child support orders are unallocated, which means they contain one total support amount for multiple children rather than a specific amount of support per child.

One of the requirements of SB 380 is that the child support payment received on behalf of a step/half-sibling exceeds the child's CalWORKs cash aid amount; therefore, allocated child support orders will be required in order to determine eligibility for SB 380.

Parents/caretaker relatives with unallocated child support orders who wish to assess their eligibility would need to have their child support orders modified to reflect a per-child support allocation.

CWDs should request necessary documentation, including but not limited to, copies of the current child support order(s) and Monthly Statement(s) of Collections and Distributions from parents/caretaker relatives when determining eligibility.

Parents/caretaker relatives may contact their Local Child Support Agencies (LCSA) for information about child support amounts allocated to and collected on behalf of their children if they do not have adequate documentation for the CWD to make a determination of eligibility. DCSS will issue a separate letter providing guidance applicable to LCSAs.

Automation

The eligibility indicator "P" will be used to allow the Statewide Automated Welfare Systems (SAWS) to communicate with the Child Support Enforcement (CSE) system in identifying SB 380 children. CSE will use this information to identify AUs for the purposes of passing through child support collected on behalf of the SB 380 child(ren) to the custodial parent/caretaker relative.

Children participating in SB 380 shall receive the same aid code as the other AU members depending on their case type. The SAWS shall develop a method to remove the child's needs from the MAP determination when the eligibility and grant determination is done through automation at the Eligibility Determination and Benefit Calculation (EDBC).

The SAWS shall develop an interim process to ensure recipients receive the correct grant amounts if there is insufficient time to automate this change prior to November 1, 2018.

Informing Clients

SB 380 requires CWDs to notify CalWORKs applicants and recipients of this change in law in writing at application and each redetermination, or sooner. SB 380 also requires that parents/caretaker relatives wishing to exclude step/half-siblings' needs from consideration in the determination of the AU's MAP to receive full child support payments make their requests in writing. To satisfy both of these requirements, the CDSS has developed the CW 52 - SB 380 Informing Notice and Child Support Payment Opt-In Form to serve as notification to applicants and recipients of the options available pursuant to SB 380 and to allow applicants and recipients to submit their requests in writing.

Use of the GEN 1365 Notice of Language Services (6/17) is required to accompany this form until translations are available or a translator is available, if requested, and the applicant/recipient is in the county welfare office in person.

The CWDs are required to notify applicants and recipients regarding the option of continuing to receive CalWORKs cash aid for all of the children in the AU, versus excluding the needs of the step/half-sibling from determining the MAP for the AU and receiving the full child support payment.

The effective date for applicants to opt into SB 380 will be effective the date CalWORKs is approved. The effective date for recipients to stop receiving cash aid for a step/half-sibling will be effective the first of the month following the date the parent/caretaker relative made the request, given the CWD had adequate time to issue timely (10-day) notice. If the CWD does not have adequate time to issue timely (10-day) notice of the decrease in the grant, the effective date will be the first of the month after notice has been given.

SB 380 is not retroactive. Applicants and recipients can begin opting in as of November 1, 2018, and will not be entitled to keep child support payments in lieu of cash aid received prior to November 1, 2018.

New and Revised Notices of Action (NOAs)

M40-171D – Basic Approval – Partial (Revised 06/01/18)

CWDs are required to provide an adequate notice to the AU when there is an action taken on an application.

CDSS revised NOA message M40-171A to add the option for CWDs to inform applicants that their CalWORKs application was partially approved for SB 380 purposes. The NOA informs the applicant that their child(ren)'s needs are not included in the AU's MAP determination as requested, but that the child(ren) is eligible for Medi-Cal and CalFresh. The NOA can be modified to account for cases in which the family does not receive CalFresh (the CalFresh statement can be removed). This statement only informs the applicant the child is included in the CalFresh household and does not relieve the CWD from CalFresh required noticing.

M82-832H – CW 52 Request Deny (New 06/01/18)

CDSS created a NOA message M82-832H to deny the CW 52 request when a parent/caretaker relative submits a CW 52 requesting a child(ren)'s needs not be included in the AU's MAP determination and the child(ren) does not meet one of the specified eligibility criteria under SB 380.

M82-832G – Grant Change (New 06/01/18)

CWDs are required to provide an adequate and timely (10-day) notice to the AU when there is a change in the AU's grant calculation.

CDSS created a new NOA to inform clients of a change to their cash aid when the parent/caretaker relative has requested that their child(ren)'s needs not be considered in determining the grant amount for the AU pursuant to SB 380. CWDs will issue the M82-832G NOA when cash aid for a child has stopped because the parent/caretaker relative has opted to receive the child support in lieu of cash aid.

CW 2.1 NA – Notice of Agreement for Child, Spousal and Medical Support / CW 2.1Q – Child Support Questionnaire

Cooperation with LCSAs/DCSS in providing information to assist in identifying and locating the non-custodial parent, paternity establishment and completion of the CW 2.1 NA/CW 2.1Q are still required under SB 380 unless the applicant or recipient meets existing good cause criteria. This will assist the LCSAs in ensuring child support orders continue to be enforced, children receive the maximum child support they are entitled to and in LCSAs matching case information with CSE data to the indicator during interface.

Initial Informing

CWDs will be required to send the CW 52 to all current CalWORKs recipients as soon as administratively possible but no later than October 1, 2018, to inform recipients of the upcoming change to the law and affect it may have on the choices they can make regarding who is included in determining aid received by the AU. This will give recipients who have annual redeterminations and SAR 7 reports due in November 2018 time to gather information needed and prepare for the decision to exclude the needs of any step/half-sibling eligible under SB 380 beginning November 1, 2018. CWDs should also make the CW 52 available to new applicants prior to implementation so they are informed of the ability to opt-in at the beginning of their upcoming SAR 7 period occurring after November 2018, if their CalWORKs is approved prior to November 1, 2018.

The GEN 1365 Notice of Language Services (6/17) must be sent with the CW 52 to non-English speaking clients and/or clients who have chosen a language other than English as their primary language until translations are available.

Process of Requesting a Substitution

Required Form-Substitute Permitted: Forms in this category are required forms for which modifications or substitutions with prior CDSS approval are permitted. CWDs may modify these forms to add or obtain information that does not (a) conflict with program policy/regulations, or (b) change the legal content of the form. Substitute forms must be submitted to CDSS in writing and may not be used until the CWD or consortium has received written approval from CDSS (see MPP Section 23-400.22). CWDs may email their requests to Shawn Dorris, Policy Unit Manager at shawn.dorris@dss.ca.gov or via U.S. Postal mail to:

California Department of Social Services
CalWORKs Eligibility Bureau
744 P Street, MS 8-8-31
Sacramento, CA 95814
ATTN: Shawn Dorris

CAMERA-READY COPIES AND TRANSLATIONS

For a camera-ready copy in English, contact the CDSS Forms Management Unit at fmudss@dss.ca.gov. You may obtain these forms from the CDSS webpage at: <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Forms-Brochures>.

When all translations are completed per 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: <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Translated-Forms-and-Publications>.

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. <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/forms/Multi/GEN1365MUL.pdf>
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 regarding this letter, please contact the CalWORKs Eligibility Bureau at (916) 654-1322.

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Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

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Family Engagement and Empowerment Division

c: CWDA

Attachments

CHANGES TO THE CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CALWORKs) ASSISTANCE UNIT AND CHILD SUPPORT RULES

The CalWORKs Assistance Unit and Child Support rules have changed.

Old Rule:

If you are getting CalWORKs for your child, in most cases, you must cooperate with the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) for those children. That means that when your case is referred to DCSS and child support is collected, you will only get a maximum of \$50 per month in child support. This \$50 will not count against your CalWORKs grant. The rest of your child support is used to re-pay your cash aid.

New Rules:

Beginning November 1, 2018, you may choose to keep the child support collected for a stepsibling or half-sibling of a CalWORKs-eligible child, if it is more than the cash aid you would get for the stepsibling or half-sibling. If you want to keep the child support and not get cash aid for the stepsibling or half-sibling, you must tell your CalWORKs Eligibility Worker in writing. If you keep the child support, you will not get cash aid for that child and your cash aid may be lowered. The child support will not count against your CalWORKs grant. You will get a Notice of Action showing your new cash aid amount. You must have at least one child in your CalWORKs case to stay eligible.

Contact your CalWORKs Eligibility Worker if you want to keep the child support or have questions about the changes to the Assistance Unit and Child Support rules. Contact your Child Support Worker if you have questions about your child support.

CalFresh Changes:

Changes to your cash aid may change your CalFresh benefits. **You will get a separate notice if your CalFresh benefits change.**

You may need to provide a copy of your child support court order(s) and a copy of your child support Monthly Statements of Collections and Distributions to your CalWORKs Eligibility Worker if you want to keep the child support for your eligible child. If you do not have these papers, contact your local child support agency at 1-866-901-3212.

CW 52 - CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT OPT-IN FORM

I, _____, certify I am the parent or caretaker relative of the child(ren) listed on this form and choose to keep the monthly child support I get for him or her instead of CalWORKs cash aid. I understand I can keep the monthly child support if I meet the conditions under numbers 1-3 below. I understand that the child(ren) will not be eligible to get CalWORKs cash aid unless I withdraw this request. These rules have been explained to me by my worker. I also certify and understand that:

1. The child(ren) listed is a stepsibling or half-sibling of an eligible CalWORKs child living in the same home;
2. The amount of monthly child support I get for the child(ren) is more than the monthly amount of cash aid I would get for him or her;
3. I have at least one CalWORKs eligible child remaining in the assistance unit;
4. I can withdraw this option when my semi-annual report (SAR) is due (if I am a SAR assistance unit), at annual redetermination or if the child support for the child lowers or stops. I cannot opt in again until my SAR report is due or at my annual redetermination appointment;
5. My request to opt in at application will be effective the date my cash aid is approved. My request to opt in or out at any other time will be effective the first of the month following my request after the county gives me a 10-day notice. If I opt out because the child support I get for my child lowers or stops, my grant may increase within 10 days from the day I show proof; and,
6. I have had my rights explained to me and have been given the written informing notice explaining the rules.

I choose not to get CalWORKs cash assistance for my child(ren) listed below, and instead, I wish to keep all of the child support I got for this child(ren):

Print Name of Child

Print Name of Child

Print Name of Child

- I understand my rights as explained to me.
- I understand the rules for choosing to keep my child support payment.

Case Name	Case Number
Signature of Parent or Caretaker Relative	Date
Signature of Eligibility Worker	Date

Auto ID No.:

Source :

Issued by :

Reg Cite : 40-171.2, 40-129,
44-315, 44-317, 82-510.4, 82-820.3, 82-828.2
SB 380(Chapter 729, Statutes of 2017)

Action : Approve

Issue: Application Processing

Title: Basic Approval, Partial

Use Form No. : NA 200 or NA 1239 SAR

Original Date : 11-01-87

Revision Date : 06-01-18

MESSAGE:

The County has approved your cash aid and Medi-Cal.

The cash aid payment for your first month of aid is

\$_____.

Your first day of cash aid is _____. Your first day of Medi-Cal is the first day of the month you applied for aid.

[] The cash aid payment for your first month of aid is only for a part of a month. It is for the time from your first day of cash aid, shown above, through the end of the month. If nothing changes, next month's cash aid will be for a full month and you will get \$ ____.

[] Your cash aid payment does not include _____. This is because _____ has been approved for the Approved Relative Caregiver Funding Option Program (ARC Program). You will get a separate notice telling you how much aid you will get under the ARC Program. _____ is eligible for Medi-Cal and CalFresh.

[] Your cash aid payment does not include _____. This is because _____ gets child support to care for his/her needs and you asked not to include him/her in your cash aid payment. _____ is eligible for Medi-Cal and CalFresh.

[] You asked for an Immediate Need payment. Your immediate need is being met with a payment of your first month's cash aid within the immediate need time limit of 1 working day.

[] The cash aid payment for your first month of aid has a 25 percent penalty for not helping us or the Department of Child Support Services. This amount will be subtracted from your cash aid payment each month until you help us or the Department of Child Support Services.

[] You got a diversion payment of \$_____ on _____ . **OR** You got diversion service(s) of _____ on _____ at the value of \$_____. You have agreed to repay the diversion payment/service(s). \$_____ will be subtracted from your cash aid payment for ___ month(s) until paid in full.

Your cash aid is figured on this page.

INSTRUCTIONS: Use for approvals and restorations. **Do not use for refusal to assign child/spousal support rights cases.** Check the applicable box(es). When you check the immediate need (IN) box, you do not need to send another NOA denying the IN request. **For AUs opting into SB 380 use on or after November 1, 2018. SAWS may program as many lines for the names of the child(ren) who are opting into SB 380 so the AU receives ONE notice regarding their cash aid approval and amount.** Use NA 200 if the AU has no income or NA 1239 SAR if the AU has income for the correct budget.

This message replaces M40-171D dated 4-1-15

State of California
Department of Social Services

Auto ID No.:
Source :
Issued by :
Reg Cite : 82-820.3, 82-828.2,
SB 380 (Chapter 729, Statutes of 2017)

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Action : Change

Issue: Aid Payments

Title: Elig/Mandatory/Optional Person Leaving AU

Use Form No. : NA 200 or NA 1239 SAR

Original Date : 06-01-18

Revision Date : NEW

MESSAGE:

As of _____, the County is changing your cash aid from
\$_____ to \$_____.

Here's why:

Some of the aid you got was for _____,

[] You asked the County to stop his/her cash aid because
he/she is getting child support to care for his/her needs.

Your new cash aid amount is figured on this page.

INSTRUCTIONS: Use to reduce CalWORKs cash aid amount when eligible half or step-sibling participates in SB 380 and parent/caretaker opts to receive the child support in lieu of cash aid payment for the child on or after November 1, 2018. In the action line, enter the effective date of opt-in (date the child(ren) is removed from the MAP determination) and enter the child(ren)'s name in the space provided (SAWS can be programmed to include as many lines for the number of children opting into SB 380 so the AU receives ONE notice reducing the cash aid for the action. This message is only for already active recipient cases to reduce the current cash aid amount when a parent/caretaker opts in to SB 380.

For new applicants use M40-171d (application – partial approval) and for denials when child does not meet the criteria use M82-832h (denial) and include the child in the MAP if otherwise eligible.

State of California
Department of Social Services

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SB 380 (Chapter 729, Statutes of 2017)

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Action : Deny
Issue: Application
Title: Child Does Not Meet Requirements (SB) 380)

Use Form No. : NA 200 or NA 1239 SAR
Original Date : 06-01-18
Revision Date : NEW

MESSAGE:

As of _____, the County is denying your application to not include the following child(ren) in the cash aid amount for your family. The child(ren) will be included in your cash aid amount of they are eligible for CalWORKs.

Here's why:

_____ does not meet the rule because he/she:

- ☐ Does not get child support in an amount that is more than the amount of cash aid he or she would get if included in the family's Maximum Aid Payment.
- ☐ Does not live in the same home as a half-sibling or step-sibling child who is eligible for CalWORKs.
- ☐ Is not a half-sibling or step-sibling of a CalWORKs eligible child in the home.
- ☐ You did not ask the County in writing.

If you asked for another child(ren) not to be included in the cash aid amount for your family that does meet the rule, you will get a separate notice about that child(ren).

Your cash aid amount is figured on this page.

INSTRUCTIONS: Use on or after November 1, 2018 to deny the application (CW 52 request) when the parent/caretaker relative requests a child(ren) be removed from the AU's MAP under SB 380 rules (Child Support) but the child(ren) do not qualify. Specify the name of the child(ren) and the reason the child(ren) does not qualify to be removed from the MAP. Add space(s) as needed to allow for the number of children's names being denied. Use NA 200 if the AU has no income or NA 1239 SAR if the AU has income for the correct budget. Calculate the AU's MAP with the child(ren) being denied under SB 380 included in the MAP, if otherwise eligible.