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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 21-117E**

The purpose of this errata is to revise language in All County Letter 21-117 regarding the treatment of medical expenses reported mid-period.



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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 21-117E

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL CALWORKS PROGRAM SPECIALISTS  
ALL CALFRESH PROGRAM SPECIALISTS  
ALL CONSORTIA REPRESENTATIVES  
ALL QUALITY CONTROL PROGRAM COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: ERRATA TO ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 21-117  
CALFRESH STANDARD MEDICAL DEDUCTION  
DEMONSTRATION PROJECT EXTENSION APPROVAL FOR  
ELDERLY/DISABLED HOUSEHOLDS

REFERENCE: [Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 Section 17\(b\)\(1\)\(A\), Section 5\(e\)\(5\); 7 CFR 271.2; 7 CFR 273.2\(f\)\(1\)\(iv\); 7 CFR 273.12\(c\)\(1\)\(i\); ACL 17-35; ACL19-89; ACL 21-13; ACL 21-117](#)

The purpose of this errata is to revise language in [ACL No. 21-117, released September 30, 2021](#), regarding treatment of medical expenses reported mid-period.

The original and revised language for the impacted section is provided below. Deletions are contained within brackets and marked with a ~~strike through~~ and additions are contained within braces and in **{bold}**.

The original language on page three under the “Establishing the Medical Deduction” section, fifth paragraph, reads:

If a household voluntarily reports an increase in medical expenses mid-period, the new deduction amount must be determined for the current and remaining months in the Semi-Annual Reporting (SAR) period.

The revised language reads:

~~[If a household voluntarily reports an increase in medical expenses mid-period, the new deduction amount must be determined for the current and remaining months in the Semi Annual Reporting (SAR) period.]~~

**{A household can report a medical expense at any time during the certification period. If the report of a new or changed medical expense results in an increase in benefits, the change must be effective no later than the first allotment issued 10 days after the date the change was reported ([7 CFR 273.12\(c\)\(1\)\(i\)](#)). No supplement may be issued for previous month(s) or the month that the medical expense is reported when benefits are adjusted timely in response to the report of a new or changed medical expense.}**

If you have any questions or need additional guidance regarding the information in this letter, contact the CalFresh Policy Bureau at [CalFreshPolicy@dss.ca.gov](mailto:CalFreshPolicy@dss.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

***Original Document Signed By***

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