

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

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May 21, 2002

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-37-02

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL CalWORKs PROGRAM SPECIALISTSREASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIM

The purpose of this notice is to inform county welfare offices that on March 9, 2002, the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 was signed into federal law and provides for temporary extended unemployment compensation. This Act allows unemployed workers who qualify to file for an extension of up to thirteen weeks of benefits. A claimant must have exhausted all rights to regular compensation on or after March 15, 2001.

The extension became effective March 10, 2002, and is referred to as Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation (TEUC). In addition, the Act provides for a second extension in some cases. Both extensions are scheduled to end December 31, 2002.

Counties are reminded that California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Program (CalWORKs) applicants/recipients have a responsibility to take all actions necessary to obtain potentially available income (Manual of Policies and Procedures section 82-610.5). Because TEUC funds may be available to CalWORKs applicants/recipients, counties should review case information to determine if extended unemployment benefits may potentially be available based on the threshold date of March 15, 2001, and refer the applicant/recipient to the appropriate Employment Development Department office.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Ernie Villalobos at (916) 657-1680.

Sincerely,

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Employment and Eligibility Branchc: CSAC  
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