DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-17-82

TO: All County Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: Advance Notice to AFDC Recipients of the Four-Month Limit on the \$30 and 1/3 Earned Income Disregard

REFERENCE:

The County Welfare Director's Association has recommended that a general notice be sent as soon as possible to all AFDC recipients with earnings to inform them of the four consecutive month limit for the \$30 and 1/3 earned income disregard. Attached is language for such a general notice. We encourage you to provide this notice as soon as possible to AFDC recipients with earnings. It can be provided as an attachment to the Monthly Eligibility Report (CA 7), as a stuffer with the warrant, or can be separately mailed.

Sending this advance notice does not relieve you from your responsibility to provide individual specific notices of action at least ten days prior to the effective date of grant reduction or termination. We plan to send notice language for this change as well as other provisions of the November 10, 1981 regulations to the court for approval this week. We will send you the notice language as soon as the court approves. This may not occur before you need to send the notices of action on the Four Month \$30 and 1/3 limit to meet the timely requirements. If not, please make certain that your notices fully explain the intended action.

The attached notice language does not apply to persons eligible only for Refugee Cash Assistance or Entrant Cash Assistance. RCA/ECA recipients are not to receive the notice.

If you have any questions, please contact your AFDC Management Consultant at (916) 445-4458 or your Refugee Program Consultant at (916) 322-3141 as appropriate.

Sincerely.

Deputy Director

Attachment

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO AFDC RECIPIENTS WITH EARNINGS

Because of changes in federal law, state regulations were changed on November 10, 1981, so that the \$30 and 1/3 income disregard for each AFDC recipient with earnings may be allowed for only four consecutive months. After the \$30 and 1/3 earned income disregard has been used to determine your AFDC grant for four consecutive months, it will not be used again unless you do not receive AFDC for one year.

For example, if your AFDC grants for December 1981 through March 1982 are computed using the \$30 and 1/3 disregard, it will not be used in determining your eligibility and grant beginning in April 1982.

You will receive an individual notice at least 10 days before your AFDC grant is discontinued or reduced as a result of this change.