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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 83-46

TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

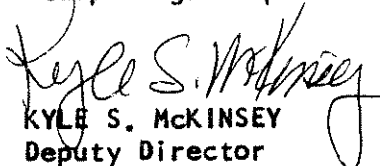
SUBJECT: MANDATORY SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS (SSN)

REFERENCE: SECTION 63-404

This letter provides information regarding the regulation change which requires social security numbers for all food stamp household members. The revised regulations, which are being processed emergency, have been sent to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) on April 27, 1983 for their review. If OAL agrees that these revisions are emergency at that time, they will be filed with the Secretary of State. The filing date was May 6, 1983 and the effective date of the regulations is June 1, 1983, at which time, all new applications shall be processed according to the revisions. Currently certified households must be converted to these regulations at recertification or anytime the case is reviewed prior to recertification.

The revised Social Security Number regulations will require that prior to certification, the food stamp household must provide the CWD with a SSN or documentation of application for a SSN with the Social Security Administration for each member of the household. A household member without a SSN who applies for a SSN, will be allowed to participate for 30 days from the first day of the first full month of participation pending receipt of the SSN. Also, if the household member can show good cause why a SSN has not been obtained in a timely manner, he/she will be allowed to participate for an additional 30 days pending receipt of the SSN. However, households shall be advised that individuals who fail to provide timely documentation showing that they have applied for a SSN within 30 days after the date of application will be disqualified from the Food Stamp Program. CWDs shall provide applicants with the MC-194 (Social Security Administration Referral Notice) to use as documentation of application for a SSN.

If you have any further questions regarding this letter, please contact your Food Stamp Program Operations Consultant at (916) 322-5475.


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