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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-85-81 MCAC LETTER NO. 81-8
TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS FY 1981/82

REFERENCE:

Senate Bill 110 (Budget Act of 1981) prohibits the allocation of county administrative funds for AFDC, NAFS and Medi-Cal in excess of the percentage increase authorized by the Legislature for COL for personal and non-personal services. Because of this restriction, FY 1981/82 COL and CPI adjustments will not exceed six percent. Submittal of the CWD Salary and Benefit Statement (DFA 442) will continue to be required as they are used to document COL adjustments provided by DSS and DHS. Counties should be aware that these same Budget Act restrictions may impact funding levels for future fiscal years. Cost Control staff will be working closely with the CWDA Ad Hoc Cost Control Committee on this matter.

SB 110 also provides a COL of six percent for most social services programs (including: Other County Social Services, In-Home Supportive Services and Adoptions) and Community Care Licensing. The funds for COL for these programs will be distributed to the counties using the applicable allocation methodology.

Specific program allocations will be forthcoming after the Budget Act has been signed by the Governor.

Sincerely,

Deputy Director

Madalyn M. Martinez, Chief

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Eligibility Branch

Health Care Policy and

Standards Division

Department of Health Services

cc: County Fiscal Officers
County Administrative Officers
Medi-Cal Liaisons
Medi-Cal Program Consultants