DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

August 1, 1991

ALL COUNTY LETTER No. 91-73

TO:

ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT:

MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY DATA SYSTEM/CENTRAL DATA BASE

(MEDS/CDB) OVERPAYMENT RECOVERY INDICATOR (ORI) SYSTEM

Food Stamp regulations (7 CFR 273.18 (k) (5)) require that State agencies identify at certification households that owe outstanding payments on a prior overissuance claim. The State intends to comply with this requirement utilizing the ORI System on the MEDS Network.

The MEDS data base has recently been expanded to allow for future expansion of the ORI field to six bytes which will significantly increase the information sharing capability of the system. This expansion will permit the use of the ORI field not only to comply with the Food Stamp requirement stated above, but also to facilitate the transfer of information relating to both the reestablishment of Food Stamp cases and the inter-county transfer (ICT) of AFDC cases with outstanding balances.

This letter is to request County suggestions as to what information should be captured in a six byte field.

Please submit your suggestions by September 16, 1991. Direct your responses to:

Department of Social Services Attn: Richard Dillen, M/S 16-25 744 P Street Sacramento, CA 95814

We look forward to receiving your input on the ORI data field. If you require further information please contact Mr. Richard Dillen at (916) 322-5387 or ATSS 492-5387.

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