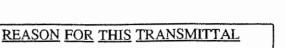
## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 July 30, 1996

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One or More Counties
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SUBJECT:

ELIMINATION OF THE STATE-ONLY AID TO FAMILIES WITH

DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC) PREGNANT WOMEN AND STATE-ONLY

PREGNANCY SPECIAL NEED PAYMENTS

REFERENCE: SENATE BILL (SB) 1780, (CHAPTER 206, STATUTES OF 1996)

The purpose of this All County Letter (ACL) is to inform counties of the elimination of State-only AFDC for pregnant women and the State-only pregnancy special need payment. This action is mandated by Senate Bill (SB) 1780, (Chapter 206, Statutes of 1996).

Effective September 1, 1996, pregnant women, with no other eligible children, applying for AFDC may only receive AFDC and the pregnancy special need payment for the three month period immediately prior to the month in which the birth is anticipated (third trimester). There is no change for federally eligible pregnant AFDC recipients requesting the pregnancy special need payment on or after September 1, 1996. Non-federally eligible pregnant AFDC recipients who apply for the special need payment would not be eligible. Please see MPP Section 44-211.632.

## CAL LEARN

Pregnant teens under the age of 19 who have not obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent are not affected by this change, see MPP Section 42-763.

Cal-Learn control group cases are treated as if part of Cal-Learn and are not impacted.

## **NOAs**

Copies of the Notice of Action (NOA) messages needed to implement this change are also attached. Camera ready copies of the NOA messages in Spanish, Cambodian, Chinese, and Vietnamese will be available approximately three weeks from the date of this letter upon request from Language Services Bureau.

## **CONTACTS**

Regulations are currently being developed to reflect this change. If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact staff as follows:

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