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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 13-91E

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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS
ALL FOSTER CARE MANAGERS
ALL TRIBES WITH TITLE IV-E AGREEMENTS IN CALIFORNIA
ALL FOSTER CARE ELIGIBILITY SUPERVISORS
ALL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGERS
ALL FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBES

SUBJECT: ERRATUM TO ALL COUNTY LETTER 13-91: AFTER 18
PROGRAM (ASSEMBLY BILL 12 EXTENDED FOSTER CARE)
AND INDIAN NON-MINOR DEPENDENTS COVERED BY THE
INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT

REFERENCE: [FOSTERING CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS AND INCREASING
ADOPTIONS ACT OF 2008, \(PUBLIC LAW \(P.L.\) 110-351\);](#)
[INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT, 25 U.S.C. SECTION 1901 et seq.;](#)
[ASSEMBLY BILL \(AB\) 12, \(CHAPTER 559, STATUTES OF 2010\);](#)
[AB 1712 \(CHAPTER 846, STATUTES OF 2012\);](#)
[AB 2418 \(CHAPTER 468, STATUTES OF 2010\);](#)
[AB 2477 \(CHAPTER 237, STATUTES OF 2024\);](#)
[WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE \(WIC\) SECTION 224.1\(b\);](#)
[WIC 11401, WIC 11401.5; WIC 11155.5;](#)
[ALL COUNTY LETTER \(ACL\) 11-10; ACL 11-69; ACL 11-77;](#)
[ACL 12-12; ACL 22-16](#)

This erratum is issued to amend All County Letter (ACL) 13-91 by immediately superseding the section of the letter entitled, "Funding and AFDC-FC Eligibility Criteria for Indian Youth," in its entirety, in connection with a litigation settlement and changes in law and policy. Those changes include issuance of ACL 22-16 which states, "income and resources are not to be evaluated after the initial determination for the same foster care episode to determine continued eligibility for AFDC-FC payment," as well as amendments to Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 11155.5 by Assembly Bill (AB) 2477 (stats. 2024, Ch 237), removing the \$10,000 resources limit and explicitly

stating, "That (b) consistent with federal law, any income and resources of the foster child or nonminor dependent (NMD) obtained after the initial eligibility determination shall not be used to redetermine eligibility during a single foster care episode."

In summary, federal aid to families with dependent children-foster care (AFDC-FC) linkage, deprivation, income, and property determination is a one-time determination per foster care episode. When a youth transitions to extended foster care from foster care as a minor, that transition is not a new episode of foster care. Foster youth, including youth receiving tribal per capita distributions or trust funds, do not have a limit on income or resources to remain in foster care in California.

If you have any questions or need additional guidance regarding the information in this erratum, please contact the Transition Age Youth Policy Unit at TAYPolicy@dss.ca.gov or the Funding and Eligibility Unit at FC-KGEligibility@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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