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ERRATA

COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 12/13-02E

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY AUDITOR CONTROLLERS
ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS
ALL TITLE IV-E AGREEMENT TRIBES

SUBJECT: CHANGES TO COUNTY ASSISTANCE 800 (CA 800) CLAIM FOR
FEDERAL KINSHIP GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE PAYMENT
(FED-GAP) PROGRAM AID CODE 4T CASES

REFERENCE: CFL NO. 12/13-29E, DATED MARCH 22, 2013; CFL NO. 12/13-29,
DATED FEBRUARY 25, 2013; CFL NO. 12/13-02, DATED
JULY 30, 2012; CFL NO. 11/12-18 DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2011;
CFL NO. 11/12-04 DATED AUGUST 18, 2011; CFL NO. 10/11-64,
DATED MAY 2, 2011; ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 11-15,
DATED JANUARY 31, 2011; ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 12
(CHAPTER 559, STATUTES OF 2010); WELFARE AND
INSTITUTIONS CODE (W&IC) SECTIONS 10101.2 and 11385-11393

This Errata to CFL No. 12/13-02 provides counties with updated information regarding the federal appeal and one-time reimbursement of Fed-GAP assistance expenditures for aid code 4T. Due to the loss of federal appeals to the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) will reimburse counties with state General Fund (GF) for Fed-GAP assistance expenditures incurred from January 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011.

The CFL No. 10/11-64 instructed counties to use a new aid code, 4T, to capture Fed-GAP assistance expenditures funded with federal Title IV-E funds beginning January 1, 2011. Subsequently, CFL No. 12/13-02 informed counties that ACF approved CDSS' Title IV-E State Plan Amendment for Fed-GAP assistance costs with an effective date of October 1, 2011. In addition, CFL No. 12/13-02 informed counties that CDSS had requested approval from ACF for federal financial participation of Fed-GAP assistance expenditures for aid code 4T from January 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011. This Errata is to inform counties that CDSS was denied approval

for this reimbursement period and to provide counties with information about a one-time reimbursement for Fed-GAP assistance costs for which claims have already been submitted in accordance with CFL No. 12/13-29 and CFL No. 12/13-29E. Pending the final decision from ACF, CDSS had withheld payments for claims submitted for claiming months January 2011 through September 2011 and any prior period adjustments included in the October 2011 through February 2013 claiming months. The original monthly claims and the information counties reported in accordance with CFL No. 12/13-29 and CFL No. 12/13-29E will be used to determine the Fed-GAP assistance expenditures for the one-time reimbursement for costs claimed for January 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011.

Without the establishment of the Fed-GAP program, counties would still be operating a State Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment (Kin-GAP) program and therefore, the converted Fed-GAP cases would have been claimed under the existing State Kin-GAP program that was in effect prior to January 1, 2011. In addition, new guardianship cases would have also been claimed under the same existing State Kin-GAP program. Based upon these previously established program instructions, the reimbursement as identified by counties as requested by CFL No. 12/13-29 and CFL No. 12/13-29E will be funded with GF from the State Kin-GAP program at the statutory sharing ratios authorized in W&IC section 10101.2(a). These expenditures will be funded as reported on the *Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures: Kin-GAP Federal* and *Interim Summary Report of Assistance Expenditures Kin-GAP Federal: Identify Monthly Cost Claimed as Prior Month Adjustments* claims in June 2013.

Questions regarding this CFL should be directed to Assistance.Claims@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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