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LCSA LETTER: 05-21

ALL IV-D DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: AID CODE PROJECT

Reason for this Transmittal
[ ] State Law or Regulation Change
[ ] Federal Law or Regulation Change
[ ] Court Order or Settlement Change
[ ] Clarification requested by One or More Counties
[X] Initiated by DCSS

This letter is regarding the aid code project being conducted by the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) and supported by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), Department of Health Services (DHS), Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) – Office of Systems Integration (OSI), and local child support agencies (LCSAs). Our goal is to minimize the impact of IV-A conversions on the IV-D programs. The aid code project team has been formed to achieve this goal and consists of staff from DCSS, CDSS, DHS, HHSA/OSI, and the LCSAs.

The IV-A system refers numerous cases with aid codes that are not known to the IV-D systems. The IV-D system rejects unknown aid codes referrals as "exceptions" on an error report. The LCSA works the error report manually to determine if the case should be referred to child support and where the funds from the case should be applied. This project's mission is to research the aid codes that have been identified by the LCSAs as critical, provide definitions of aid code categories, and summarize transitional descriptions. Our purpose is to achieve a reduction in the number of referrals of unknown aid codes in an effort to decrease the LCSA's manual workload.

Since many aid codes are currently not in use or have not fallen out to exception reports, this project will not address all of the approximately 150 aid codes listed on the Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System - Aid Codes Quick Reference Guide. Instead efforts will concentrate on the investigation and definition of the 56 critical aid codes the LCSAs have identified. The department will resolve future aid code issues as they are identified.

The attached matrix consists of five category aid code identifiers: 1) Referable; 2) Recoupable; 3) Reportable (Active or Terminated); 4) Enforceable; and/or 5) IV-A/IV-D Interface System Related, along with a comment field for 28 of these codes. Once the research on the remaining aid codes has been completed, the list will be circulated in a Child Support Services (CSS) letter detailing all 56 aid codes.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact
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Sincerely,

o/s/ KAREN ECHEVERRIA

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Attachment

Aid Code List by Category

No.	Aid Code[1]	MEDS Description[2]	Effective[3]	Type[4]	Referable[5]	Recoupable[6]	(A) Reportable[7]	(T) Reportable[8]	Enforceable[9]	IV-A/IV-D Intrface[10]	Comments
1.	*01*	**RCA** - Refugee Cash Assistance	7/1/89	N/W	No	No	No	No	No	No	IV-A should not transmit these cases in the interface/referral process. If a child is subsequently placed into CalWORKs, KinGAP, or Foster Care, the case would be referred as a regular aided case. ***ACWDL 90-95***
2.	*02*	**RMA** - Refugee Medical Assistance	7/1/89	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	IV-A should not transmit these cases in their interface/referral process. If a child is CalWORKs, KinGAP, Foster Care, or Medi-Cal eligible, the case would be referred as a regular aided case. ***ACWDL 90-95***
3.	*03* $2	**AAP** - Adoption Assistance Program - Federal ($)-On MEDS in Special Program Segment (2)-Child	10/1/82	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	No adopted children are referred. Cash grant program to facilitate hard to place children who would require permanent foster care placement without such assistance. (FFP) ***ACIN I-131-82; Also on the DCSS Master Aid Code Listing.***
4.	*04* $2	**AAP/AAC** Adoption Assistance Program Aid for Adoption of Children ($)-On MEDS in Special Program Segment (2)-Child	10/1/82	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	No adopted children are referred - Covers cash grant children receiving Medi-Cal eligibility through AAP/AAC benefits. (Non-FFP) ***ACIN I-131-82; Also on the DCSS Master Aid Code Listing.***
5.	*05*	**SED** - Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (cash grant only)	7/1/86	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	IV-A should not transmit these cases in the interface/referral process. For residential placement only. No Medi-Cal issued. (Non-FFP) ***ACWDL 86-63; Also on the DCSS Master Aid Code Listing.***
6.	*09*	**FS** - Non Assistance Food Stamps	8/8/03	N/W	No	No	No	No	No	No	This code may be listed on CASES county sharing ratios (CSR) table as being tied to a cash aide case when referred. However, the code is not attributed to public welfare recipients, but needs a case number to receive food stamps. Recipients are not bound by cash assistance regulations and therefore not subject to child support enforcement activities. ***ACL 03-64***

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7.	0A	**RCA** - Refugee Cash Assistance - Exempt	7/1/89	N/W	No	No	No	No	No	No	Same as aid code 01 with the exception of exemption from grant reductions of behalf of the Assistance Payments Demonstration Project/California Work Pays Demonstration Project. ***ACWDL 90-95***
8.	OF	Transitional Food Stamp Program	10/1/04	N/W	No	No	No	No	No	No	Should not be listed on LCSA's table for recoupment. Helps families retain FS after leaving CalWORKs - According to MEDS Reference Guide, this is not a valid aid code. ***ACL 03-66 (12/03)*** ***ACIN I-58-03 - MPP63-504-1***
9.	1H	**Aged - FPL Program** Federal Poverty Level Program	1/1/01	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Noncash based Medi-Cal only for aged. IV-A should not transmit these in the interface/referral process. ***ACWDL 00-57***
10.	3D	**CalWORKS pending, Medi-Cal eligible** Cash grant authorization	7/1/04	MC/CW	Yes	No	No	No	No	Does not apply when referable	Cash-linked-Medi-Cal eligible. Individuals who are to be added to a CalWORKs case and are eligible for Medi-Cal in the month prior (or Cnty QR) to when cash benefits are available. Referable last trimester. ***ACL 04-22***
11.	3V#	**AFDC - 1931(b) Non CalWORKS - ESO** - Emergency Services Only #-Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage	3/1/99	MC	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Designated for Not Qualified aliens and therefore not referable for child support services. IV-A should not transmit these cases in their interface/referral process. ***ACWDL 98-56***
12.	39	**Initial TMC** - Transitional Medi-Cal 6 months	4/1/90	CW/MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Parents were initially in CalWORKs. A subsequent application for Medi-Cal must be opened as new case. No referrals for persons in transitional Medi-Cal. ***ACWDL 90-32***
13.	4M	**Former Foster Care Child**	10/1/00	FC/MC	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Emancipated youths. Transition foster care youths previously in aid codes; 40, 42, 4C, or 5K, automatically to this extended Medi-Cal program on their 18th birthday or after being terminated from foster care after their 18th birthday. ***ACWDL 00-41 and 00-61***

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14.	53	**MI-LTC** Medically Indigent - Long Term Care	10/1/88	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Designated for undocumented immigrants and therefore not referable to child support services. IV-A should not transmit these cases in their interface/referral process. *ACWDL 88-66*
15.	54	**Four Month Continuing**	1/1/83	CW/MC	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Parents were initially in CalWORKs. A subsequent application for Medi-Cal must be opened as new case. According to the Medi-Cal Procedures Manual, no referrals are made for persons in transitional Medi-Cal. *ACWDL 82-66*
16.	55 #	**OBRA not PRUCOL LTC** Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Permanent Resident Under Color of Law Long Term Care # - Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage	1/1/88	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	If at any time an undocumented immigrant gives birth to a child born in U.S., the child would be placed in a different aid code and then referred to LCSA. *ACWDL 88-16*
17.	58 #	**OBRA Alien** Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act # - Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage	1/1/88	MC	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Referrals are not made on OBRA Aliens under PRUCOL or Amnesty Alien status. But otherwise eligible for Medi-Cal ESO *ACWDL 87-55*
18.	6H	**Disabled - FPL** Federal Poverty Level	1/1/01	MC	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Does not apply when referable	*Referable* - Provides full-scope (no SOC) Medi-Cal to qualified disabled individuals/couples - A small population of disabled apply to children. *ACWDL 00-57*
19.	74 #	**133% - Undoc/Temporary Visa (OBRA)** %-IE & RR can be in Share of Cost (SOC) or non SOC case. #-Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage	7/1/90	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Undocumented or temporary visa status. Emergency benefits only. According to the Medi-Cal Procedures Manual, no referrals are made for Undocs/Temp visa persons. *ACWDL 90-61*
20.	7C #	**100% OBRA Child** #-Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage %-IE & RR can be in Share of Cost (SOC) or non SOC case	11/1/91	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	No undocumented children are to be referred for medical support enforcement unless children are citizens. IV-A should not transmit these cases in their interface/referral process. *ACWDL 91-61*

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21.	7K#	**CEC - Undocumented** Continuous Eligibility for Children #-Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage	1/1/01	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	According to the Medi-Cal Procedures Manual, no referrals are made on undocumented children. IV-A should not transmit these cases in their interface/referral process. *ACWDL 01-01*
22.	81	**MI - APP** Medically Indigent - Aid Paid Pending	12/10/91	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Individuals 21-22 years of age in an institution for mental diseases - convert to Aid Code 82 (FFP) *ACWDL 91-115, terminated aid code 81.* *ACWDL 95-32*
23.	82	**MI - C** Medical Indigent - Children	7/1/95	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Individuals 21-22 years of age in an institution for mental diseases. (FFP) *ACWDL 95-32*
24.	8C $8	**SLMB** Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary ($)-On MEDS in Special Program Segment (8)-Medi-Care	1/1/93	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Undocumented (usually aged, disabled) in specified low-income Medicare beneficiaries (SLMB) program. *ACWDL 92-61*
25.	8N#	**133% Excess Property Child - ESO** #-Uses aid code message to limit scope of coverage %-IE & RR can be in Share of Cost (SOC) or non SOC case	12/1/98	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	OBRA Child undocumented/nonimmigrant alien (but otherwise eligible except for excess property). (FFP) According to the Medi-Cal Procedures Manual, no referrals are made for undocumented aliens. *ACWDL 89-50*
26.	8P	**133% Excess Property Child** %-IE & RR can be in Share of Cost (SOC) or non SOC case	3/1/98	MC	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Does not apply when referable	*Referable* - Medi-Cal for citizen children or receiving full benefits because they are lawful permanent residents at or below poverty level. Full scope benefits. *ACWDL 98-26*
27.	8R	**100% Excess Property Child** %-IE & RR can be in Share of Cost (SOC) or non SOC case	3/1/98	MC	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Does not apply when referable	*Referable* - Eligible citizen children, (FFP) with full scope benefits - Medi-Cal for children below poverty level. *ACWDL 90-34*
28.	IE%	**Ineligible for Medi-Cal** %-IE & RR can be in Share of Cost (SOC) or non SOC case	0/00/00	MC	No	No	No	No	No	No	Ineligible - a person who is ineligible for Medi-Cal benefits. IV-A should not transmit through interface/referral process.

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Definitions:											
1. The number or aid code identifier as shown on Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS) Quick Reference Guide.											
2. The aid code title.											
3. The date in which this aid code became effective.											
4. Type of assistance: CalWorks (CW), KinGap (KG), or Foster Care (FC), MediCal (MC), or Non Welfare (NW).											
5. Referable: A case type involving Medi-Cal only or cash-aid assistance to a minor child.											
6. Recoupable: The part of a reportable case type collection to reimburse the public assistance paid to the family.											
7. (A) Reportable: A case type that is currently recognized by an active aid code and reported on the CS 34 or CS 35.											
8. (T) Reportable: A case type that was historically referable or recoupable, or enforced but is no longer an active aid code.											
9. Enforceable: Case types that may not be referable, are not recoupable, but involve medical support in a transitional or temporary capacity.											
10. IV-A/IV-D Interface System Related: Data needed for proper case construct in a non-referable CP/NCP aid code.											