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MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY MANUAL LETTER NO.: 137

TO: All Holders of the Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual
 All County Welfare Directors
 All County Administrative Officers
 All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

Ref.: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS LETTER (ACWDL) NO. 94-52

Enclosed is the procedure for Section 50167 (A)(8) of the Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual, Article 4. This procedure covers policy previously released in the ACWDL No. 94-52. The side bar on page 4T-1, paragraph 3, indicates a clarification of policy contained in ACWDL No. 94-52.

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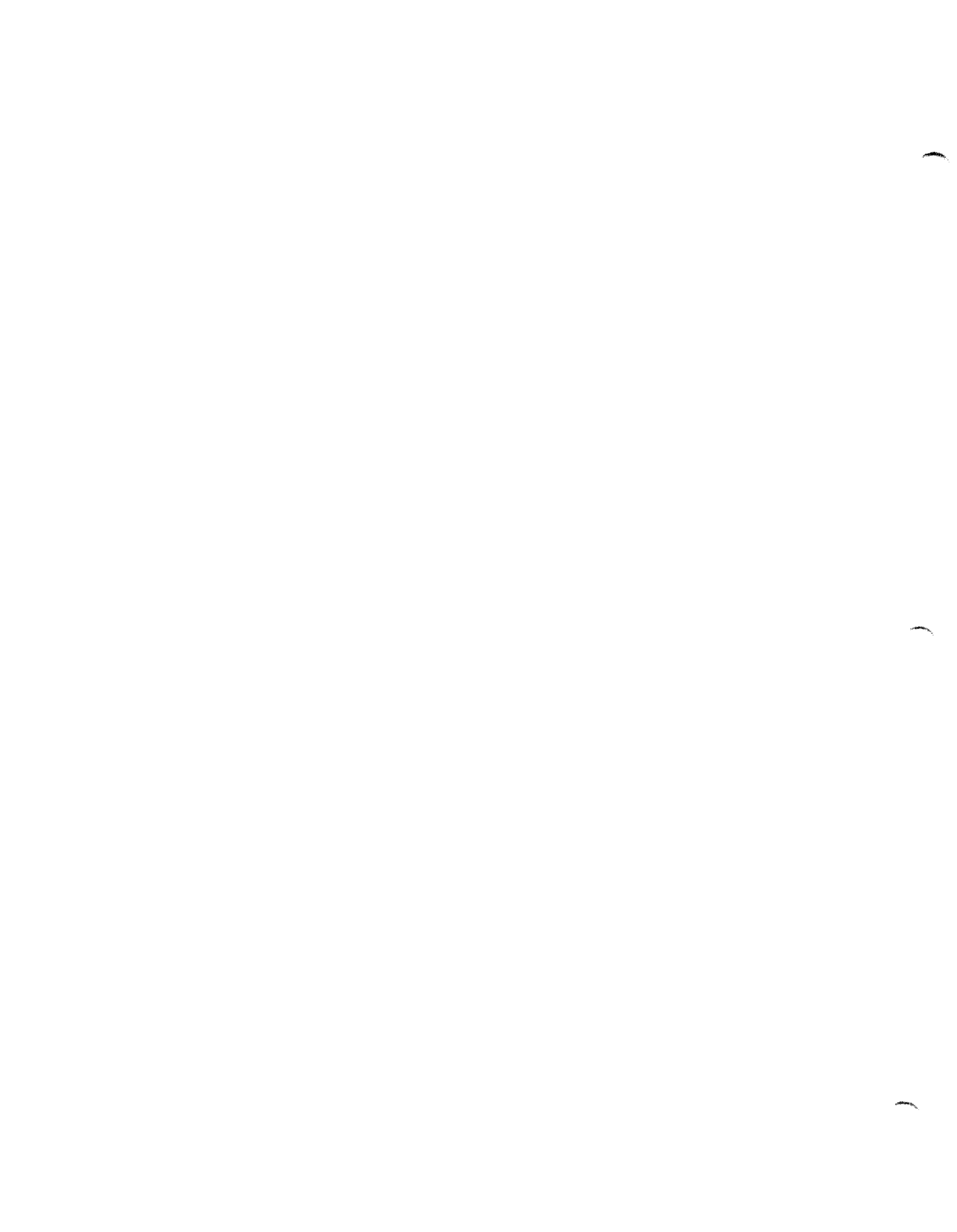
If you have any questions concerning this procedure, you may contact Ms. Ana Ramirez of my staff at (916) 657-1401.

Sincerely,

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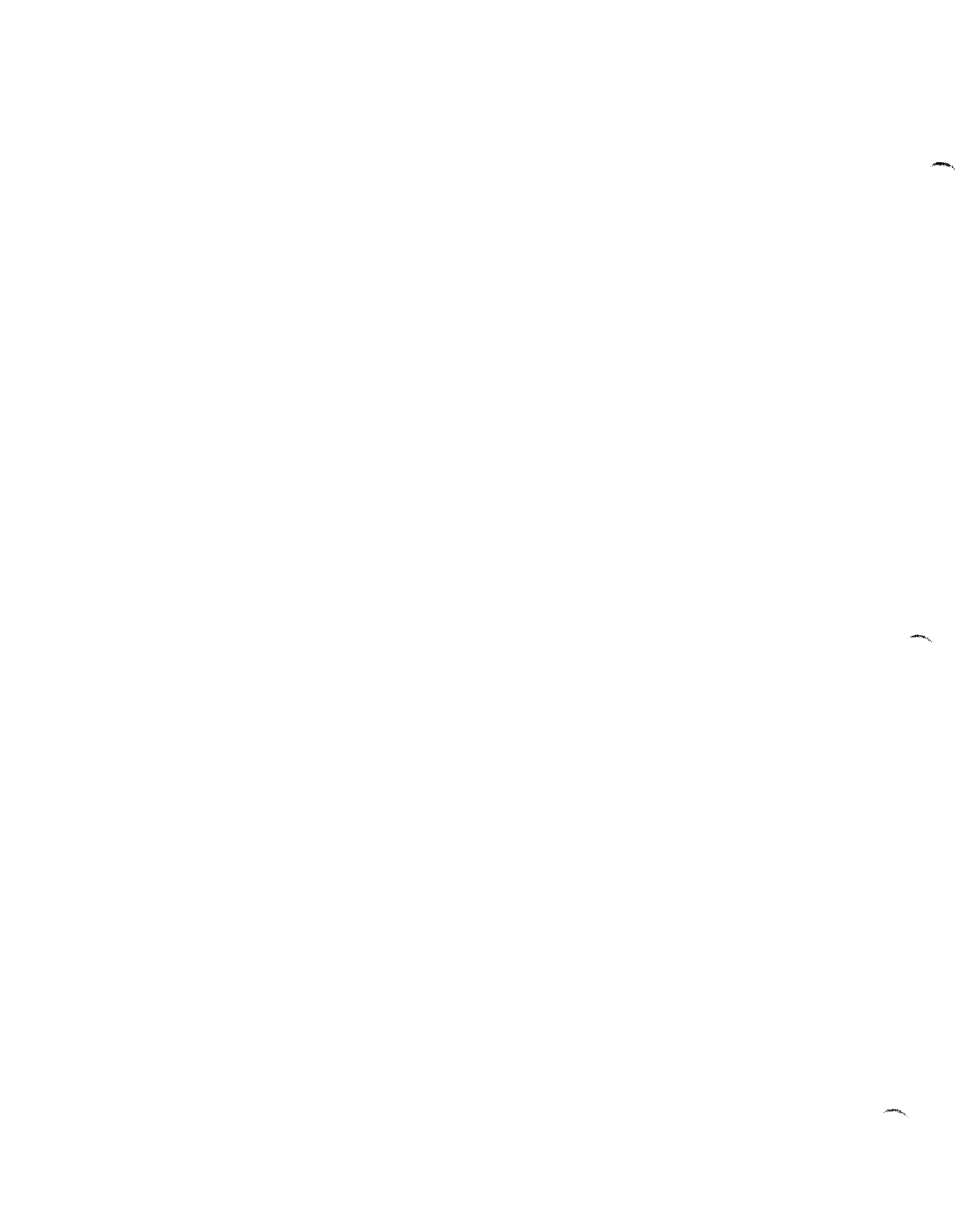
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4T--ACCEPTABLE PREGNANCY VERIFICATION

Based on Section 50167 (a)(8) of Article 4, California Codes of Regulations (CCR), once the Medi-Cal application is submitted to the county based on pregnancy, the county is responsible for reviewing the information on the application with the applicant or recipient. Acceptable pregnancy verification is a written statement from:

- o a physician,
- o a physician's assistant,
- o a certified nurse midwife,
- o a nurse practitioner, or
- o a designated medical or clinic personnel with access to patient's medical record.

A signature stamp, a photo copy, or a carbon copy are acceptable as long as they are initialed or counter-signed by the designated medical or clinic personnel providing the verification. The carbon copy signature that appears on the Pregnancy Verification portion of the Presumptive Eligibility, "Application for Medi-Cal Program Only" (PREMED2), does not need to be initialed.

Pregnancy verification should include the estimated date of confinement (EDC). If pregnancy verification does not include the EDC, the eligibility worker may ask the applicant for the expected date of birth. A verbal statement made by the applicant regarding the EDC is acceptable and sufficient. All EDC's taken verbally must be documented in the applicant's file by the eligibility worker.

Pregnancy verification is not required for women applying for minor consent services under Section 50147.1.

