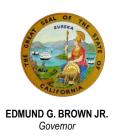


## State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



November 18, 2011

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS Letter No.: 11-41

ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS

ALL COUNTY HEALTH EXECUTIVES

ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY 250 PERCENT WORKING DISABLED COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: NEW ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER OPTION FOR PAYMENT OF

250 PERCENT WORKING DISABLED PROGRAM PREMIUMS

The purpose of this letter is to notify counties of a new payment option for the 250 Percent Working Disabled Program (WDP) and to advise counties to remove language from the 250 Percent WDP Notices of Action (NOA) that no longer applies.

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) contracted with Citibank to offer electronic funds transfers (EFT) as a payment option for payments to DHCS. DHCS offers this option free of charge to current and newly enrolled 250 Percent WDP enrollees.

At the time of enrollment, counties must provide the 250 Percent WDP participants a notice describing the EFT process with directions on how to make a payment. DHCS will send a similar notice to current enrollees notifying them of the new option. DHCS anticipates sending this notice within the next 30 days.

Counties must also inform newly enrolled 250 Percent WDP participants that they still have the option to mail their premium payments by sending a check or money order to DHCS. Instruct 250 Percent WDP enrollees to write their name and CIN on the check or money order to avoid delays in processing and send their payment to:

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Enclosed is a copy of the notice that DHCS will mail to current enrollees. An English version of this notice will be available on our DHCS website.

#### Notices of Action

Currently, DHCS has not set up an automated billing and premium collection system that would automatically provide envelopes and invoices to 250 Percent WDP participants on a monthly basis. Therefore, counties must revise and remove any language that contains the following information: "Each month, DHS will send you a monthly invoice with a preaddressed, postage-paid envelope". This language should be replaced with the following statement: "To continue your enrollment under this program, you must pay the monthly premium that is due by the fifth day of the following month. See enclosed sample NOAs.

If you have any further questions, please contact Ms, Tammy Kaylor at (916) 327-0406 or by email at tammy.kaylor@dhcs.ca.gov.

Original signed by: Robert Sugawara Assistant Chief Medi-Cal Eligibility Division For:

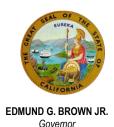
René Mollow, MSN, RN, Chief Medi-Cal Eligibility Division

**Enclosure** 



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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON SENDING YOUR MEDI-CAL 250 PERCENT WORKING DISABLED PROGRAM PREMIUM PAYMENTS

Great news! You may now make your 250 Percent Working Disabled Program (WDP) payment on the internet through an electronic funds transfer (EFT). You can securely transfer your payment directly from your checking account to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Before you start, make sure to have your banking/credit union account and routing number. You can contact your bank/credit union for your account information. It's easy and it's free!

To make your EFT payment, follow these steps:

\*\*Be sure to have your bank account and routing numbers in front of you.

- 1. Go to the payment website at: www.paycalifornia.com.
- 2. Click on "California Department of Health Care Services."
- 3. At "DHCS Account Number," enter your Client Index Number (CIN), which can be found on your Benefits Identification Card. Click "continue."
- 4. Continue following the online instructions.
- 5. Once you schedule an EFT payment, you will be given a reference number to keep for your records.

If you do not use EFT to make your 250 Percent WDP payment, you may still send a check or money order payable to DHCS. To avoid delays, write your name and CIN on the check or money order and mail to:

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CONTACT US immediately at (916) 650-0490 if you receive a notice from your County Medi-Cal office telling you that you are no longer eligible for the 250 Percent WDP, and no longer need to make monthly premium payments.

For more information regarding the EFT process and the 250 Percent WDP, visit our webpage at <a href="http://dhcs.ca.gov/WDP">http://dhcs.ca.gov/WDP</a>.

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# MEDI-CAL NOTICE OF ACTION APPPROVAL FOR BENEFITS AS A 250 PERCENT WORKING DISABLED INDIVIDUAL OR COUPLE

(COUNTY STAMP) Notice date: Case number: Worker name: Worker number: Worker telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Office hours Notice for: We have reviewed your application/case to see if you are eligible for the 250 Percent Working Disabled program. This program allows eligible individuals and couples to pay premiums for full coverage under Medi-Cal. We have determined that beginning \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_, you meet the basic eligibility requirements for the 250 Percent Working Disabled program. However, before Medi-Cal can begin to cover your medical expenses under this program, you must pay the first month's premium. If you already have a plastic Benefits Identification Card (BIC), this card will be used for this program. If you do not already have a BIC card, you will receive one soon. Do not throw this card away. This card is good as long as you are eligible for Medi-Cal. Take this plastic card to your doctor or other Medi-Cal provider when you request medical services. The amount of your monthly premium is \$\_\_\_\_\_. This is based on your net nonexempt income of \$ . We have not counted your disability income in making this determination. To continue your enrollment under this program, you must pay the monthly premium payment that is due by the fifth day of the following month. You can do this by mailing your premiums to: Department of Health Care Services MS 4720 - Dept. 155 P. O. Box 997423

**OR** You may choose to pay your premiums by using the new electronic fund transfer (EFT) process. (See enclosed informational notice for more information on the EFT process).

Sacramento, CA 95899-7423

This action is required by ALL County Welfare Directors' Letter 00-16.

Si UD necesita una tradiccion de este aviso en espanol, pongase en contacto con su oficina de bienestar del condado

#### PLEASE READ THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS NOTICE

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