STATE OF CALIFORNIA-HEALTH AND WELFARE AGENCY

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To: All County Welfare Directors

Letter No. 80-12

NEW MEDI-GAL BROCHURE

This is to notify you that the new Medi-Cal brochure is now available through the Department of Health Services warehouse. The new brochure combines both the English and Spanish versions into one pamphlet. The brochure is packaged in cartons of 1000.

Requisitions should be sent to:

Department of Health Services Warehouse 1723 20th Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Please allow at least 20 working days for delivery.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Doris Z. Soderberg, Chief Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch

cc: Medi-Cal Liaisons Medi-Cal Field Representatives

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ADDENDUM TO PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

In California Administrative Register 80, No. 8-Z for the week ending 23 February 1980, the State Department of Health Services published notice of a proposal to repeal and adopt regulations in Title 22, Division 3 of the California Administrative Code summarized as follows:

- Repeals Sections 51508 and 51508.1 through 51508.9 to delete current provisions on determining the cost of inpatient hospital services and on appealing the determination. Proposed Section 51536 incorporates new provisions on reimbursable costs and appeal procedures.
- (2) Adopts Section 51536 to provide a new system for inpatient hospital reimbursement based upon the lesser of each hospital's customary charges, Medicare allowable cost or all-inclusive rate per discharge. The proposed regulation also provides for interim payment rates, final payment rates and an appeal procedure. This change is necessary in order to add provisions that conform to the proposed State Plan currently being reviewed by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

The proposed regulation change introduces state-defined methodology for reasonable cost reimbursement of hospital inpatient services, as now permitted by federal law. The State previously used methodology used by the Medicare Program.

The Department has made copies of the regulation summarized above available for public review in the office of each local county welfare agency. Individual copies may still be obtained by writing to the Office of Regulations, State Department of Health Services, 714 P Street, Room 840, Sacramento, California 95814.

Written comments regarding the proposed regulation should be directed to the above address where such comments will be made available for public inspection.

The proposed effective date for implementation of the proposed regulation changes is 1 July 1980.

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Dated: 4/9/80

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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Richards A. Koppes, for Beverlee A. Myers, Director