

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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To: All County Welfare Directors

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MN - MEDI-CAL REFERRALS TO DED

All Medically Needy Medi-Cal referrals for disability evaluation made to the State Programs Branch of the Disability Evaluation Division, Department of Social Services, must include:

1. Appropriately completed MC 221, MC 223A (12/82) and MC 220 forms.
2. The applicant's social security number (SSN).

If you only need to confirm that social security disability exists, please refrain from making a DED referral. Elimination of these referrals allows DED to process new MN disability evaluations without SSI/SSP involvement in a more expeditious manner. To obtain verification of disability you may use the methods specified in Title 22, CAC, Section 50167 (a) (1) (B) and (C). These include viewing SSA (Title II) disability award letters, SSA disability checks, SDX for persons in Long Term Care, requests to SSA for verification, etc. Incomplete applications referred to State Programs (e.g., MC 221's without MC 223A's and correctly completed MC 220's) will be returned as inappropriate referrals.

Because DED files all disability records by their SSN, you must include the SSN on the MC 221 whenever available. If not available, a statement should be provided on the MC 221 giving the reasons for the omission. An example of such an explanation would be: "Mr. Jones applied for a social security number on November 1, 1983, but has not received it as of November 30, 1983". Omission of the SSN without explanation will result in the return of the referral to the county without evaluation. DED should be kept informed of any corrections to the SSN.

Please direct any questions you may have to Toni Bailey at (916) 324-4953.

Sincerely,

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Caroline Cabias, Chief
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cc: Medi-Cal Liasons
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