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TO: All County Welfare Directors
All County Program Liaisons
All County MEDS Liaisons

SUBJECT: SNEEDE V. KIZER

This is to advise you that by mid-December, the Department of Health Services (DHS) will have automated a portion of the Sneede v. Kizer process by adding some "Expert System" logic to MEDS.

For household living situations which already have been addressed in various Sneede All County Welfare Directors Letters, counties can provide information about the persons in the case and their relationships, then the automated system will determine who is in each income (or property) mini budget unit and each mini budget unit's maintenance need level (or property limit). Logic for other family living situations, such as families with tax dependent children, will be added as their treatment under Sneede is finalized. Other functions, such as optimizing property deductions and exemptions will also be added at a later date.

Anyone who is authorized to access MEDS will be able to access this system. The worker will see a series of screens which will ask him or her to enter information about the case.

DHS will be including a user manual as part of Change Cycle Letter #116. For information about this system, please call Marty Bornstein at (916) 657-0798. For information about Sneede policy issues, please call Marge Buzdas of my staff at (916) 657-0726.

Sincerely,

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