

MEDI-CAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM UPDATE November 2006



Non-English Forms

Staff is to use applicable foreign language forms for non-English speaking applicants/participants when requested, as available. If translated materials are not available, the EW must arrange to provide oral translation of all applicable forms.

Ref: Civil Rights Desk Reference Guide (Rev. 2004), Exemplar Handbook

LEADER Notes

Client Correspondence

1. Access to Threshold Language screens using User ID:

The new "User ID" parameter has now been added to the search criteria on the "Go To Navigator" window for opening the "Threshold Language Correspondence Queue" screen from the "Client Correspondence" subsystem.

2. New or revised forms and notices will be listed as they become available.

Ref: LEADER BUILD #196, dated 10/27/06



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Filing Documents Establishing Disability

Any documents establishing disability such as Disability Determination Service Division decisions (MC 221 and its attachments), a Social Security Disability Award Letter, or a Railroad Retirement Board Total and Permanent Disability Award Letter, are to be filed in the right side of the Document/Verification Folder in the paper case. All disability cases that are transferred or go for audit need to be carefully reviewed and pre-audited by district staff to ensure that documents substantiating disability are included.

Ref: AD 4172 Supplemental, dated 02/22/05



The MC 223 Is Available In Spanish!

Yes, the MC 223-*Applicant's Supplemental Statement of Facts for Medi-Cal* is available in Spanish. The MC 223 is used to report pertinent facts regarding the applicant's medical condition; vocational, social and educational information; and/or third party sources that can provide relevant information needed to evaluate the applicant's disability. The MC 223 is included in the disability packet submitted to the Disability Determination Service Division (DDSD) for a disability determination.

Ref: Medi-Cal Eligibility Procedures Manual Section 22C-4.6

Students From Another State

A child between 18 and 21 years of age may apply for Medi-Cal in California even if his/her parents live out of state. This most frequently happens when the child is in California to go to school. The EW must ask the applicant child if he/she is claimed as an income tax dependent by his/her parents. If yes, the parents are the responsible relatives and must provide income and resource information as part of the eligibility determination for the child.

Ref: CCR Title 22 Sections 50123© and 50351©



Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003

This is to remind staff that effective December 2003, certain family members of trafficking victims are also eligible for refugee benefits and services. Eligible family members may present a Derivative T Visa (T-2, T-3, T-4, or T-5) and are entitled to refugee cash and medical assistance, provided they are otherwise eligible. Call the toll-free Trafficking Verification line at (866) 402-5510 to notify the Federal Office of Refugee Resettlement of the benefits for which the individual has applied.

Ref: ACWDL 05-03, dated 2/17/05

Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA) Reminder

This is to remind all Medi-Cal staff that when a Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA) participant becomes a full-time student in an institution of a higher education, they are no longer eligible to RMA benefits. The exception to this is when such enrollment is part of an employability plan developed by the county welfare department or its designee or is part of a plan for an unaccompanied minor.

The RMA Notice of Action (NOA) is not generated by LEADER. Therefore, a NOA must be completed manually and include the following:

- The effective date of discontinuance
- Individual's name
- "You are no longer eligible to Refugee Medical benefits because you are a full time student in an institution of higher education."

Ref: MEB Regulations ML No. 13, page 89

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