

CMSP Letter No.: 20-04  
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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF DELAYING CMSP NEGATIVE ACTIONS DUE TO COVID-19  
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

### **CMSP EXTENDS DELAY OF DISCONTINUANCES AND NEGATIVE ACTIONS**

The purpose of this CMSP All County Letter (ACL) is to instruct counties to extend the delay of discontinuances and negative actions for CMSP (aid codes 88, 89, 50 and 8F) through the end of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), in alignment with Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter (MEDIL) 20-14. CMSP has worked with CalWIN and C-IV to suspend the negative action batch processes for CMSP cases. Previously, CMSP released CMSP ACL 20-02 that instructed the delay to be effective until the end of June 2020. CMSP is extending the timeframe through the end of the PHE. Counties may continue to terminate CMSP cases for the following reasons: individuals who are reported to be deceased; individuals who are no longer a resident of a CMSP county; or, individuals who request voluntary discontinuance from CMSP.

### **CMSP ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES**

Please refer to CMSP ACL 20-02 about important reminders about CMSP Eligibility Procedures. CMSP strongly encourages all counties conduct refresher trainings for eligibility staff on CMSP eligibility procedures. Rules and requirements for CMSP applications are contained within the CMSP Eligibility Manual which is available on the CMSP website at <https://www.cmspcounties.org/county-forms/#tab-id-2>. CMSP provides coverage to residents (documented and undocumented) of CMSP counties, 21-64 years, with incomes up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Denied Medi-Cal applicants, 21-64 years old and non-disabled, that are over income for MAGI-based Medi-Cal should be screened for CMSP eligibility and be provided the CMSP Supplemental Application, if applicable. The CMSP Supplemental Application may be signed by the applicant through a Telephonic Signature Declaration in accordance with the requirements sets forth on the CMSP 216 form available on the CMSP website at <https://www.cmspcounties.org/county-forms/>.

If you have any questions about the information presented, please contact Alison Kellen, Program Manager at (916) 649-2631 ext. 119 or [akellen@cmspcounties.org](mailto:akellen@cmspcounties.org).

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kari", is written over the printed name.

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