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TO: County Welfare Agency Directors
Tax Security Liaisons
Institutional Services Section Area Supervisors

SUBJECT: IRS/IEVS Matches for Tax Year 1998

This is a follow-up to Medicaid Communication 99-20, dated October 21, 1999, in which you were advised of the completion of scheduling for the matching of IRS/IEVS data against Tax Years 1996 and 1997.

You were advised in the Communication that file month June 1999 was to be used to produce the Annual Run data for Tax Year 1997. This was accomplished in February 2000, but due to a programming problem, the run produced a lower volume of "hit" data than anticipated. We have since identified and corrected the problem, but are unable to run the match again for Tax Year 1997 in order to recapture any lost data.

After correcting a series of additional operational problems, we are now ready to implement the monthly matching schedule for Tax Year 1998 as follows:

- New applicant file months of December 1999 through May 2000 have been combined. You can anticipate receipt of the data output from this combined match within the next week. Unfortunately, due to the operational difficulties that we encountered, new applicant data for the months of July through November 1999 are no longer available and could not be included in this match.

- The last file month, June 2000, will be used to generate the Annual Run data for Tax Year 1998 for all current beneficiaries on file at the time of the match. Please note that current beneficiaries who were added to the Medicaid eligibility file for the period July 1999 through November 1999 referred to above will be included in the Annual Run data if their cases were not terminated prior to the creation of the June 2000 extract file that was sent to the IRS for matching. You can anticipate the receipt of this Annual Run data sometime in October 2000.

Once these two matching processes are complete, we will advise you of the matching schedule to be implemented for processing data against IRS 1099 information for Tax Year 1999. In addition, the IRS Document Codes for Tax Year 1998 are attached for your reference in reading the FD-348 forms.

We are confident that the correction of recent operational difficulties will produce a more efficient scheduling process and apologize for the inconvenience and interruption in the IEVS processing. We also realize that this effort will again require concentration of staff time to process the combined match information, and request your cooperation in this matter.

Please direct any questions concerning this Communication to Ginni Jaslar of the Division's Office of Information Systems at (609) 588-2762.

Sincerely,

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