STATE OF CALIFORNIA - HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL
[ ] State Law Change
[ ] Federal Law or Regulation Change
[ ] Court Order
[ ] Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
[X] Initiated by CDSS

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-100-00

TO ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
MUTUAL ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATIONS
COUNTY REFUGEE COORDINATORS
VOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT AGENCIES
STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
COUNTY REFUGEE FORUM CHAIRS

SUBJECT: ASYLEES TIME ELIGIBILITY FOR REFUGEE CASH ASSISTANCE – JUNE 15, 2000 RULING

The purpose of this All County Information Notice is to offer additional clarification of the June 15 ruling by the federal Office of Refugee Resettlement that asylees are time eligible for Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) beginning with the date asylum is granted

As of June 15, 2000, any asylee who has received or applied for RCA on or after June 15, 2000, is now time eligible for RCA benefits for eight months from the date asylum was granted.

As an example, any individual whose asylum was granted November 1, 1999 is eligible for benefits for the month of June 2000. However, in order to receive the benefits, the individual must apply for RCA on or after June 15. The benefits are granted from the date of application forward (June 15 until date of time expiration of June 30). In calculating the time eligiblity, November is counted as the first month of asylee eligibility, which is continued through to the end of June, for a total of eight months.

Attached is a chart to assist in calculating the eight-month time eligiblity period for asylees under the new ruling.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Linda Keene in the Refugee Programs Branch at (916) 654-2602 or e-mail her at lkeene@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Bruce Wagstaff on 10/18/00

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Attachment

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ASYLEES ELIGIBILITY CHART
FOR
REFUGEE CASH ASSISTANCE

AS OF JUNE 15, 2000
AND LATER

MONTH IN WHICH ASYLUM WAS GRANTED	EIGHT MONTH TIME EXPIRATION
October 1999 and prior	No Longer Eligible
November 1999	June 30, 2000
December 1999	July 31, 2000
January 2000	August 31, 2000
February 2000	September 30, 2000
March 2000	October 31, 2000
April 2000	November 30, 2000
May 2000	December 31, 2000
June 2000	January 31, 2001
July 2000	February 28, 2001
August 2000	March 31, 2001
September 2000	April 30, 2001
October 2000	May 31, 2001