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Run Batch EDBC with 2021 FPL Values

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1 OVERVIEW

With release 21.02.23, the System was updated with the 2021 Federal Poverty Level (FPL) values based on ACWDL 21-01. Any 2021 Medi-Cal EDBC run prior to the update used the previous 2020 FPL values. This SCR will automate re-running Medi-Cal EDBC for 2021 benefit months to update the budget to use the 2021 values per the directive in the ACWDL.

1.1 Current Design

With CA-223627/CIV-108496 the System updated the 2021 FPL values based on ACWDL 21-01. Any 2021 Medi-Cal EDBC run prior to the update used the 2020 FPL values per ACWDL 20-03.

The System also updated records with Medicare Part B Premium amount to $148.50 for records with current amount less than $144.60 and Payment Method as 'State'.

CalSAWS only:

For FPL COLA - Current Batch EDBC functionality allows Batch EDBC with Sub-Type Code 'PL' to automatically add a standard Journal Entry to cases processed by Batch EDBC with:

> **Short Description:** Batch EDBC ran for [MONTH/YEAR].

> **Long Description:** Batch EDBC ran for [MONTH/YEAR]. Batch EDBC processed for the Medi-Cal program for the following reasons: Annual FPL Limit Changes

For SSA COLA - A standard Journal Entry will be created automatically based on the Sub Type code = 'CT942-SA' – Annual SSA COLAs and Related Changes when the batch is run.

1.2 Requests

1. Run Batch EDBC for Medi-Cal cases in accordance with ACWDL 21-01 so that the new FPL values are correctly applied. The effective date of the 2021 FPL values vary as follows:
   - Effective retroactively to January 01, 2021
     - o Applicants and recipients in Medicare Savings Programs (MSP): Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB), Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB), Qualified Individual 1 (QI-1) who do not receive Title II - Retirement, Survivors and Disability Insurance (RSDI) income
   - Effective retroactively to March 01, 2021
     - o Applicants and recipients in MSP (QMB, SLMB, QI-1) who are receiving Title II - RSDI income
   - Effective April 01, 2021

- o Applicants in an active, Non-MAGI program not included in the groups above
  - **CalSAWS only:** Exclude Medi-Cal cases from Batch EDBC processing if the Medi-Cal program is assigned to a DCFS worker.
2. Medicare Part B Premium amount was updated to $148.50 for records with current amount less than $144.60 and Payment Method as 'State' with CA-223627/CIV-108496. Run Batch EDBC on updated records.
3. **C-IV only:** Create a Journal with 'FPL COLA' reason for the FPL COLA Batch cases, and with 'SSA COLA' reason for cases run due to Medicare Part B Payment Method update.
4. Provide lists of cases to the county when a case or individual is discontinued from Medi-Cal, a Medi-Cal EDBC is Read-Only or when a case is not processed through Batch EDBC either from being skipped or because a MAGI Determination was requested on the case, but Medi-Cal EDBC has never been run against any MAGI Determination.

1.3 Overview of Recommendations

CalSAWS only: On March 13, 2021, after scheduled batch completes run Batch EDBC to apply updated FPL COLA values to Medi-Cal programs. Generate lists to aid the counties after Batch EDBC completes.

C-IV only: On March 13, 2021, place scheduled batch on hold and operationally run Batch EDBC to apply updated FPL COLA values to Medi-Cal programs. Create journals to document the Batch EDBC. Generate lists to aid the counties after Batch EDBC completes.

1.4 Assumptions

1. Batch EDBC will use the existing MAGI Determination which is relevant to the benefit month and will not trigger a new Eligibility Determination Request (EDR) to CalHEERS.
2. **CalSAWS only**: DCFS Medi-Cal programs will be identified through the worker associated to the program. The workers for DCFS programs are associated to positions that have unit department type of "DCFS". These workers can be identified by the prefix of "19**DC**" in their worker ID numbers.
3. **C-IV only**: March 13, 2021, will be a system down day and Batch EDBC will run throughout normal business hours.
4. No changes to Medi-Cal NOAs are required for this effort.
5. Batch EDBC process skips any overridden budgets.
6. With SCRs CA-215211 and CIV-106907, Negative Impacts in Batch EDBC are prevented for Medi-Cal Beneficiaries due to Public Health Crisis/Natural Disaster which saves EDBC as 'Read-Only' with Read-Only Reason of "Protection due to Public Health Crisis/Natural Disaster".

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Run Batch EDBC to apply FPL COLA values to Medi-Cal Programs

2.1.1 Overview

1. Identify cases for which Batch EDBC must run for 2021 benefit months as described in Section 1.2 Requests to apply the updated amounts. Insert the identified cases into SYS_TRANSACT for Batch EDBC processing.
2. Operationally execute Batch EDBC. Batch EDBC will run only for the cases identified.

2.1.2 Description of Changes

1. Identify cases for Batch EDBC processing by inserting a record into SYS_TRANSACT for Medi-Cal Program(s) only with below mentioned Run Reason and Sub Type Code for the specified benefit months processed until come-up month for all Active Medi-Cal programs that meet the following requirements (A-C):

System	Run Reason	Code Table	Sub Type Code
CalSAWS	Medi-Cal FPL COLA	CT744 ML	PL
C-IV	FPL COLA	CT744 FP	PL

A. Benefit Months: January and February 2021
   i. Medi-Cal EDBC has not been processed for January 2021 and February 2021 since updated 2021 FPL values have been deployed to production with CA-223627 and CIV-108496.
   ii. There is a Regular Medi-Cal EDBC for the program for the month being run where there exists at least one individual receiving aid from MSP (QMB, SLMB, or QI-1).
   iii. None of the individuals receiving aid from MSP receive Title II - Retirement, Survivors and Disability Insurance (RSDI) income.
   iv. If MAGI has been requested on the case, a Medi-Cal EDBC has been run against at least one MAGI Determination.
   v. **CalSAWS only**: The program is not assigned to a DCFS worker.

B. Benefit Months: March 2021

    i. Medi-Cal EDBC has not been processed <mark>for March 2021</mark> since updated 20201 FPL values have been deployed to production with CA-223627 and CIV-108496.

    ii. There is a Regular Medi-Cal EDBC for the program for the month being run where there exists at least one individual receiving aid from MSP (QMB, SLMB, or QI-1).

    iii. If MAGI has been requested on the case, a Medi-Cal EDBC has been run against at least one MAGI Determination.

    iv. **CalSAWS only**: The program is not assigned to a DCFS worker.

C. Benefit Month: April 2021

    i. Medi-Cal EDBC has not been processed <mark>for April 2021</mark> since updated 2021 FPL values have been deployed to production with CA-223627 and CIV-108496.

    ii. There exists at least one individual on the program receiving Non-MAGI Medi-Cal aid.

    iii. If MAGI has been requested on the case, a Medi-Cal EDBC has been run against at least one MAGI Determination.

    iv. There are no individuals on the Medi-Cal program receiving aid with an Express Lane aid code.

    v. **CalSAWS only**: The program is not assigned to a DCFS worker.

2. Run Batch EDBC January 2021 through <mark>and including</mark> April 2021 with 'SSA COLA' Run Reason for SSA COLA Medi-Cal cases updated with SCR CA-223627/CIV-108496 recommendation #3

3. Generate lists to aid the counties after Batch EDBC completes (see Outreach section 5.1)

2.1.3 Batch Operations:

Steps of Operation:

    i. Identify cases for Batch EDBC processing as mentioned in section 2.1.2.1(A-C) and 2.1.2.2

    ii. Operationally execute Batch EDBC processing.

2.1.4 Execution Frequency

This is a one-time change.

2.1.5 Key Scheduling Dependencies

CalSAWS only: Expected start of Batch EDBC processing is on March 13, 2021 during Regular Batch Operation hours.

C-IV only: Expected start of Batch EDBC processing is on March 13, 2021 6:00 AM and Expected completion of Batch EDBC processing is on March 13, 2021 4:00 PM.

2.1.6 Counties Impacted

All 40 counties.

2.1.7 Data Volume/Performance

Batch EDBC will run approximately below mentioned Medi-Cal EDBCs for the months of January 2021 through and including April 2021 for 2021 FPL COLA updates.

BENEFIT MONTH	C-IV	CalSAWS
January,2021	17,303	83,742
February,2021	17,279	83,431
March,2021	163,463	234,787
April,2021	314,051	422,814
TOTAL	**512,096**	**824,774**

Batch EDBC will run approximately below mentioned Medi-Cal EDBCs for the months of January 2021 through and including April 2021 for Medicare Part B Premium amount updates.

	C-IV	CalSAWS
TOTAL	**49,088**	**10,004**

2.2   C-IV Only: Create DCR for Journal Entry

2.2.1   Overview

1. In **CalSAWS**, a standard Journal Entry will be created when Batch EDBC is run for FPL COLA based on Sub Type code = 'PL'. In C-IV, a standard journal will be created by a data change request.
2. In **CalSAWS**, a standard Journal Entry will be created automatically based on the Sub Type code = 'CT942-SA' – Annual SSA COLAs and Related Changes when the batch is run. In C-IV, a standard journal will be created by a data change request.

2.2.2   Description of Change

1. Create a DCR to insert a journal with the following information for each case processed through the one-time batch process for recommendation 2.1.2.1. There will be only one journal per case, per benefit month successfully processed.

   Journal Category: Eligibility

   Journal Type: Batch EDBC

   Short Description: Batch EDBC ran for [MONTH/YEAR].

   Long Description: Batch EDBC ran for [MONTH/YEAR]. Batch EDBC processed for the [Program Type] for the following reasons: 2021 FPL COLA and related changes

2. Create a DCR to insert a journal with the following information for each case processed through the one-time batch process for recommendation 2.1.2.2. There will be only one journal per case, per benefit month successfully processed.
   Journal Category: Eligibility
   Journal Type: Batch EDBC
   Short Description: Batch EDBC ran for [MONTH/YEAR].
   Long Description: Batch EDBC ran for [MONTH/YEAR]. Batch EDBC processed for the [Program Type] for the following reasons: 2021 SSA COLA and related changes

   Note: The Journal record created from recommendation#2.2.2.1 and recommendation#2.2.2.2 will append into one journal entry if overlapping records exist in both Batch EDBCs.

3   SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Number	Functional Area	Description	Attachment
1	Eligibility	ACWDL 21-01	ACWDL 21-01.pdf
2	Eligibility	2021 Monthly FPL Chart 600% Enclosure 1	2021 Monthly FPL Chart 600% NEW.PD
3	Eligibility	2021 Annual FPL Chart 600% Enclosure 2	2021 Annual FPL Chart 600% Enclosure

4   REQUIREMENTS

4.1   Project Requirements

REQ #	REQUIREMENT TEXT	How Requirement Met
2.16.1.2	The LRS shall include an automated method for implementing mass updates triggered by policy changes or mass participant financial changes, including Social Security or Veterans benefits cost of living adjustments (COLAs).	This SCR runs Batch EDBC to update Medi-Cal Eligibility based on the 2021 FPL values.

5   OUTREACH

5.1   Lists

Generate lists to aid the counties after Batch EDBC completes.

The listing will consist of below standard columns:

- Case Name
- Case Number
- County
- Unit
- Unit Name
- Office Name
- Worker ID

Also, add County Action text mentioned below on the posted list 'County Action' tab.

1. **List Name: Closed Program**
   Generate a list of cases in which Batch EDBC resulted in the closure of the Medi-Cal program. Counties can use this list to verify that the program's discontinuance is appropriate. If available, display the closure reason (for example: Calif. Residence).

   Additional Column(s): Closure Reason, Benefit Month
   County Action: These are likely the result of household changes or ongoing data collection which was not yet processed through EDBC by the user. Since the purpose of this Batch EDBC process was not to close households, review these cases to verify the closure was accurate.

2. **List Name: Closed Individual**
   Generate a list of cases in which Batch EDBC resulted in an individual being discontinued from Medi-Cal but the Medi-Cal program remains open. Counties can use this list to verify that the individual's discontinuance is appropriate. If available, display the closure reason.

   Additional Column(s): Individual Name, CIN, Closure Reason, Benefit Month
   County Action: These are likely the result of household changes or ongoing data collection which was not yet processed through EDBC by the user. Since the purpose of this Batch EDBC process was not to close individuals, review these cases to verify the closure was accurate.

3. **List Name: Read-Only EDBC**
Generate a list of cases in which Batch EDBC resulted in a Read-Only Medi-Cal EDBC with all the Read-Only Reasons except the Read-Only Reason of "Protection due to Public Health Crisis/Natural Disaster". Counties can use this list to run Medi-Cal EDBC for those cases and take the appropriate action. ==For additional column, "MAGI RE DER," the value will be 'Y' if the latest DER for the benefit month is a Batch Renewal (RE) DER with at least one person MAGI Pending; otherwise, 'N'.==

Additional Column(s): Read-Only Reason, Benefit Month, ==MAGI RE DER==
County Action: Since Batch EDBC couldn't automatically apply the intended change to these cases, users may process EDBC to apply intended changes if applicable.

4. **List Name: MAGI Run with EDBC Never Linked**
Generate a list of cases that were excluded from Batch EDBC processing because the Medi-Cal program had requested a MAGI Determination, but Medi-Cal EDBC never ran against any MAGI Determination on the case.

Additional Column(s): *none*
County Action: In this situation, a user has never run EDBC to establish the CalHEERS link for this case. To avoid having Batch EDBC processing do so automatically, these cases were not processed. For cases in this list, run Medi-Cal EDBC to apply the FPL COLA Changes, taking note that this EDBC will establish the link to CalHEERS.

5. **List Name: Batch EDBC skipped with a reason**
Generate a list of cases in which Batch EDBC was skipped, including the reason for the skip. These cases will be the responsibility of the worker to address.

Additional Column(s): Skip Reason, Benefit Month
County Action: Batch could not process these cases because of the skip reasons listed in the list. Review each case and take appropriate action based on the skip reason.

6. **List Name: Denials and Discontinuance for January - April 2021**
Generate a list of cases for individuals that were denied or discontinued prior to the 2021 FPL value updates although may be eligible with the latest updated 2021 FPL values.

Additional Column(s): Individual Name, CIN, Benefit Month
County Action: Review all denials and discontinuances and re-evaluate eligibility based on the 2021 FPL values.
Criteria:
   i.   Medi-Cal EDBC was processed prior to the updated 2021 FPL values (CA-223627/CIV-108496) is deployed.

ii.   One of the following failed income budgets exists in the EDBC:
- QMB
- SLMB
- QI-1
- ABD FPL
- 250% Working Disabled

iii. There is a denied or discontinued individual who is also in one of the failed income budgets identified above.

iv.   The Income value of the failed budget is less than the 2021 FPL value for the appropriate effective month. (Refer to the Technical Note)

v.   There is a latest EDBC processed for the denied or discontinued individual for any of the months January through April 2021. (Refer to the Technical Note for budget type corresponding to the benefit month).

vi.   **CalSAWS only**: The program is not assigned to a DCFS worker.

Technical Note*: The "Total net non-exempt income" value of the failed budget is less than the 2021 FPL "Maintenance Need" value. Refer to recommendation 2.1.2.1(A-C) for corresponding benefit month and criteria (e.g. RSDI income, Budget type)

Budget Type	FPL% reference
QMB	100% FPL
SLMB	120% FPL
QI-1	135% FPL
ABD FPL	100% FPL
250% Working Disabled	250% FPL

Above Mentioned Lists will be posted on March 15, 2021, at following locations:

System	Path
CalSAWS	CalSAWS Web Portal>System Changes>SCR and SIR Lists>2021>CA-223624
C-IV	CalSAWS Web Portal>System Changes>SCR and SIR Lists>2021>CIV-108495