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To:	PPOC.40; Consortium.RegionalManagers.All
CIT Name:	CA-222221/CA-230192 CalFresh SSA 2022 COLA and ESAP Batch Memorandums
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Description:	<p>Purpose (Identify what Counties this CIT affects)</p> <p>The purpose of this CIT is to provide CalSAWS counties the batch memorandums associated with CA-222221 'Run Batch EDBC for CalFresh SSA COLA effective 03/2022' and CA-230192 'Eliminate SAR7 for ESAP.'</p> <p>Background</p> <p><u>CalFresh (CF) SSA COLA:</u> ACIN I-XX, informed counties that Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and California State Supplementary Payment (SSP) recipients received a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) effective January 1, 2022, and that, per federal regulations, the new SSI and SSP monthly payment amounts reflecting the COLAs must be acted on for CalFresh purposes no later than the March 2022 benefit allotment for all cases where SSI/SSP payment amount data is readily available.</p> <p>With CA-226308 'Updates for the CalFresh SSA COLA effective 03/2022' CalSAWS generated and sent a file to MEDS containing CalFresh persons receiving SSI or SSI/SSP Income. CA-226308 was implemented with Release 22.01.27. After sending the file, MEDS provided a one-time response file that includes elements in the initial outbound file, as well as additional SSI and/or SSP payment amounts. CalSAWS will</p>
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process the inbound file and update the Other Program Assistance (OPA) records with the new SSI or SSI/SSP amounts from February 5-11, 2022.

Eliminate SAR7 for ESAP:

Per [ACL 20-145](#), as of March 1, 2022, ESAP households will no longer have to complete a SAR 7 at the 12th and 24th month of their 36-month certification period. They will still be required to report gross monthly income over the Income Reporting Threshold (IRT), so they will receive a SAR 2 at the 12th and 24th month to remind them of this requirement. While they are ESAP, they are not required to complete a recertification interview unless the HHs request an RE interview, the case is set to be denied (e.g., a HH's circumstances have changed, and they are no longer eligible for CalFresh); or the HH or Authorized Representative (AR) reported information is questionable, incomplete, or contradictory. ACL 20-145 also removes the requirement that only Non-Assistance CalFresh (NACF) households are eligible to ESAP. Public Assistance CalFresh (PACF) households may now be ESAP if all household members are elderly and/or disabled (E/D) with no earned income.

CA-220040, 'ACL 20-145, 20-146 Eliminate ESAP SAR 7 Requirement, Update ESAP NOAs' updated the criteria for ESAP households to remove the requirement that a household must be NACF and added a new requirement that all members (i.e. even ineligible/excluded) of the household must be elderly and/or disabled with no earned income for the household to meet the ESAP criteria. The new Semi-Annual Reporting – No Report (SARN) reporting type was added; SARN households are not required to submit a SAR 7. The CF 377.2B and CF 377.2C were updated to 12/2020 version, a new ESAP RE packet was created, and a new batch job was created to send out the SAR 2 at the 12th and 24th month.

Additional Information

CA-222221 will run Batch EDBC in targeted-program mode for all active CalFresh (CF) programs (including Transitional CalFresh) and any Nutritional Benefits or CalWORKs programs linked to those CF programs with an active person whose SSI Only, SSP Only or SSI/SSP income amount was modified by CA-226308 for the March 2022 benefit month.

CA-230192 will run CalFresh EDBC on all active ESAP households for the benefit month of 3/2022 to set the new "Semi-Annual Reporting - No Report" (SARN) reporting type so CF ESAP households will no longer receive a SAR 7.

Both CA-222221 and CA-230192 are scheduled for Release 22.02.12.

County Action

Counties are encouraged to distribute the information in the Batch Memorandums for both CA-222221 and CA-230192 to appropriate staff.

NOTE: Separate CITs for lists related to CA-222221 and CA-230192 will be sent after the batch job is run and the lists are available.

If you have questions on this CIT, please reach out to the Primary Contact and cc your Regional Managers.

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Attachments:	CA-222221 SSA COLA 032022 Batch Memorandum.docx CA-230192 Eliminate SAR7 for ESAP - Batch Memorandum.docx
Web Portal Link:	<div style="background-color: black; width: 80px; height: 20px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <p>OR</p> <p>You may also retrieve the CIT document and attachments by following these steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Click on the CRFIs & CITs link at the top of the page. 2. Click on the "CalSAWS Information Transmittal (CIT)" folder. 3. Click on the "2022" folder. 4. Click on the appropriate CIT # folder.