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CalSAWS | Batch Memorandum for 2026 SSA COLA

Regulation: ACWDL 25-22, ACWDL 25-26, ACIN I-56-25

Memorandum Purpose

This memorandum is intended to convey the batch EDBC scope, county actions and schedule for 2026 SSA COLA changes.

Scope

- **CA-290449**

On Saturday, December 06, 2025, the System will update the SSA income and Medicare Part B premium records as per the 2026 SSA COLA ACWDL 25-22, ACWDL 25-26 and ACIN I-56-25.

- **CA-290450**

On Saturday, December 13, 2025, the System will start Batch EDBC processing to apply the 2026 SSA COLA values.

Additional Upcoming COLA changes as an FYI only:

- **CA-290473**

On Sunday December 21, 2025, the System will update the Other Program Assistance (OPA) record as per the 2026 SSI COLA. This change will be visible in the system on the following morning.

- **CA-290474**

On Saturday, January 10, 2026, the System will process Batch EDBC to apply 2026 SSI COLA values for the OPA records updated.

Note: Separate CITs for lists related to the COLAs will be sent after the data update and batch job is completed and the lists are available.

Batch

The System will identify the targeted population as below:

Batch EDBC

SSA COLA (All programs): Run batch EDBC processing for:

Medi-Cal (non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (non-MAGI) or mixed MAGI/non-MAGI).

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CalFresh (CF),
Kin-GAP (KG),
Foster Care (FC),
 o Approved Relative Caretaker (ARC)
Adoption Assistance (AAP)
Diversion
Immediate Need (IN)
CalWORKs (CW),
Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA),
Nutrition Benefit (NB)
Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI),
General Assistance/General Relief (GA/GR)
 o Automated Solution
 o 'LA GAGR'
on cases that have an active program with an active person receiving SSA income or Medicare Premium Part B, that was updated by CA-290449.

CalSAWS will not target a case from the above population to be run in Batch EDBC if EDBC has already been accepted and saved for their respective months after CA-290449, was released. Furthermore, if a case was targeted for Batch EDBC, but EDBC has been accepted and saved before the COLA Batch EDBC, then the COLA Batch EDBC will skip the case.

The System will exclude some cases from the targeted populations based on the following exceptions:

- CalWORKs, CalFresh, Medi-Cal and General Assistance/General Relief 'LA GAGR', General Assistance/General Relief Automated Solution, and CAPI cases will not be run through Batch EDBC if the SAR7 or RE packet with a submit month of December has a status of Generated, Sent, Received, or Incomplete. This will prevent these cases from receiving a change notice after the NA 960X, NA 960Y, or NA RE X. Users will apply the policy updates as a result of running EDBC as a normal part of the SAR/RE process.
- Medi-Cal program only cases that are aided by MAGI only.
- CalWORKs, CalFresh, Refugee Cash Assistance and General Relief cases will not be run if their Redetermination is due through the end of December 2025.

Journal Entry

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.

List Details

The list will be posted the following location:

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Note: Separate CITs for lists related to the COLAs will be sent after the data update and batch job is completed and the lists are available.

Lists 1-5 will display the following standard columns:

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

1. **List Name:** Cases with Program Closed by Batch

List Criteria: Cases where this Batch EDBC process closed a program.

Additional Column(s): Program Type, Program Closure Reason, Deceased only Case.

Note: the “Deceased only Case” column will be populated with “Y” when all individuals who were eligible prior to the batch EDBC run are closed with the person closure reason as “Deceased”, and the Program Closure reason is “No Eligible member”.

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:** Cases with Person Closed by Batch

List Criteria: Cases with Active programs where this Batch EDBC closed a person.

Additional Column(s): CIN#, Person Name, DOB, Program Type, Person Closure Reason

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 persons, review these cases to verify the closure was accurate.

3. **List Name:** Cases with Read-Only EDBCs by Batch

List Criteria: Cases where this Batch EDBC resulted in a Read-Only EDBC with all the Read-Only Reasons.

Additional Column(s): Program Type, Read-Only Reason

County Action: Since Batch EDBC could not automatically apply the intended change to these cases, users may process EDBC to apply intended changes, if applicable.

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4. List Name: Medi-Cal Cases with FPL \$1 under Limit

List Criteria: Cases that have a passed Medi-Cal FPL program with a person receiving SSA whose net income is one dollar under the FPL limit.

County Action: These cases could have passed the FPL program in error due to rounding in the 'Back Out' process. Counties can use this list to verify that the income test results are correct and take action if needed.

5. List Name: Cases Skipped by Batch

List Criteria: Cases skipped in the Batch EDBC run including cases with a skip reason of 'EDBC has not been run since conversion'.

Additional Column(s): Program Type, Skip Reason

County Action: Since Batch EDBC did not automatically apply the intended change to these cases, users may process EDBC to apply intended changes, if applicable.

6. List Name: SSA COLA Stats by County Report

List Criteria: EDBC Count for each program included in the COLA by County.

Additional Column(s):

- <program> EDBC Counts
- <program> EDBC Processed
- <program> EDBC Skipped (Exception*)
- <program> Read Only
- <program> Stack Trace (UEID)
- <program> Success %
- Total EDBC Count
- Total EDBC Processed
- Total EDBC Skipped (Exception*)
- Total EDBC Read Only
- Total EDBC Stack Trace (UEID)
- Total EDBC Success %
- Total NOAs Generated

Note: The 'Total' and 'Overall Success' fields above will include all programs in the COLA.

Note *: Exception happens when a case does not go through the EDBC processing and will result in a Skip.

Ex: No Worker assigned to the Case will exception out from Batch EDBC and will result in a Skip Reason of 'No Worker Assigned to Case'.

Please Note:

- Review cases included in the lists and take necessary action.
- Cases with Potential Over Payment/Over Issuance will not be posted with 2026 SSA COLA as the changes are being implemented timely this year.

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Things to remember about this batch process

- Cases that have a yellow banner requiring case review as a result of the benefit match process will skip if a worker has not processed EDBC since conversion. These cases will appear on the 'Cases skipped by Batch' list and can also be found on the 'Converted Case Review Dashboard'.
- The programs targeted for batch processing are determined once upfront. For batch processes that take more than one business day, cases are not removed or added to the batch processing based on user updates.
- There are multiple reasons why a case may not be successfully run through batch EDBC processing. Some examples include: No Worker Assigned, Overridden Program Case, Pending Program / Person / Application, EDBC results in an overpayment /over issuance.
- The EDBCs run for this batch process will have a run reason of 'SSA COLA'. The EDBCs will have an EDBC Source of 'Batch EDBC Rules'.
- NOAs will not be held and will be printed and mailed the following night.
- The NA 960X notice for the benefit month of January will be sent on December 12, 2025.
- The NA RE X notice for the benefit month of January will be sent on December 17, 2025.
- When a user runs EDBC in which a prior pending month exists, the EDBC will result in a Read-Only status. However, when running a Batch EDBC process, that restriction does not apply and these EDBCs will not be Read-Only.
- Any updates or lack of updates made/not made to cases will impact the batch EDBC results. This means programs may be discontinued (due to late reports, non-compliances, etc.) unexpectedly.
- The Ad-Hoc reporting database will be updated by Monday, December 15, 2025, when the CalSAWS system becomes available.
- The Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS) file will transfer from CalSAWS to MEDS by Sunday, December 14, 2025, for cases that were processed over the weekend; but MEDS will not process the file until 3:00pm on Monday, December 15, 2025. (Note: this is the normal process for files sent over the weekend).

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Development Schedule

Date	Task
December 8, 2025	Deliver the changes to the System Test team
December 9, 2025	Start System Testing the changes
December 13, 2025	Run Batch EDBC in production as listed in CA-290450

Schedule Considerations

- Approximate count of programs for the Benefit Month of January 2026 to be processed for Batch EDBC approximately 2 million programs.

Timeline

- Expected start of Batch EDBC processing
 - December 13, 2025- 7:00 AM
- Expected completion of Batch EDBC processing
 - December 14, 2025- 6:00 PM

CalSAWS Batch Calendar December 2025

December 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 1. SAR 7 Discontinuanc e 2. Foster Care Payroll: 55 Counties 3. MAGI MC RE EDR Sweep	2	3	4 1. CW/CF RE appt Day 1 (LA County) 2. Non-Transition Food stamps NEC - Generate and Balance	5 1. CW/CF RE appt Day 2 (LA County) 2. CW/CF RE appt Day 1 (57 Counties) 3. Foster Care Payroll (Alameda & Sacramento)	6 1. CW/CF RE appt Day 2 (57 Counties) 2. CA-290449 2026 SSA COLA Values update	7
8 1. Foster Care Payroll: LA County 2. Non-MAGI Stable Income RE EDBC	9	10 1. Medi-Cal RE Packet	11 1. MAGI/Mixed Age EDR	12 1. Medi-Cal Reminder-1 2. NA 960X 3. Mixed/MAGI Auto-Disc EDR	13 1. MAGI/ Mixed/Non- MAGI Age EDBC. 2. CA-290450 2026 Batch COLA Run Date	14
15 1. CW/CF RE Packets 2. Mixed/MAGI Auto-Disc EDR	16	17 1. AAP Payroll: LA County 2. CMSP Disc Sweep 3. NA RE X notice 4. MAGI/Non- Magi/Mixed	18 1. Batch 10-Day Cutoff. 2. Medi-Cal Auto- Rescind Authorization	19 1. Main Payroll (LA County Day 1)	20 1. Main Payroll (LA County Day 2)	21

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			Auto-Disc EDBC 4. End of Postpartum EDR	3. End of Postpartum EDBC			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
	1. MEDS Renewal 2. Find Balderas Cases 3. KG Payroll (LA County 4. Main Payroll (56 Counties Day 1) 5. KG Payroll: LA County	1. Main Payroll (56 Counties Day 2) 2. Find Balderas Cases	No Batch (Christmas Day)	1. SAR 7 Generation	"MEDS Recon (CALWIN Counties) Recon File Due to DHCS- 29 Monday" 2. Medi-Cal Reminder-2		
29	30	31		1	2	3	4
1. Main Payroll (Riverside County Day 1)	1. Main Payroll (Riverside County Day 2)	CW/CF Redetermination					