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SUBJECT: Transitional Medical Assistance Mailer Problem

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Due to a processing problem, the State has temporarily suspended the mailing of the Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA) reports to recipients. identifying numbers on these reports are LDSS 4151 and LDSS 4151A. They are commonly referred to as the TMA mailers. The first mailers affected were those sent on October 10, 2000.

Local Social Districts should authorize TMA to all potentially eligible TMA recipients as if they had returned a completed mailer and are eligible for TMA. No one should have their TMA case closed for failure to return the TMA mailer.

The State plans to resume the mailing of TMA quarterly reports as soon as the processing problem is resolved. We estimate that mailings will resume later this fall. When the mailings resume, you will receive further instructions.