

# Medi-Cal Program Guide (MPG) Letter #606

April 12, 2007

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**Subject** DETERMINING PRESUMPTIVE DISABILITY

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**Effective Date** Upon receipt

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**Reference** Medi-Cal Eligibility Procedures Manual (MEPM) Letter 304

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**Purpose** The purpose of this letter is to inform staff that a terminally ill individual does NOT have to be in receipt of Hospice Services in order to be eligible for presumptive disability (PD).

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**Background** Previously, a terminally ill individual had to be receiving Hospice Services to be eligible for PD. This change eliminates the Hospice Services requirement to category number fourteen (14) on the PD list.

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**Change** PD shall be granted to all terminally ill individuals, whether they receive Hospice Services or not.

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**CalWIN Entries** The applicant/beneficiary “terminally ill” diagnosis shall be recorded on the “Collect Diagnosis Detail” window. This window may be accessed by clicking the [Diagnosis] button on the “Display Disability/Medical Conditions Detail” window shown below.

The screenshot shows the CalWIN Simulation interface. The main window is titled "Display Disability/Medical Conditions Summary" and displays case information for BROOKS, GWENETTE. Below this, a smaller window titled "Collect Disability/Medical Conditions Detail" is open, showing detailed fields for the disability. The "Diagnosis..." button at the bottom of this window is highlighted with a blue box.

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**Automation** Until CalWIN is reprogrammed to reflect the change in PD eligibility for terminally ill individuals, the worker must contact the CalWIN Help Desk via email ([CalWinHD.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:CalWinHD.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov)) and request that a manual bottom-line override be performed.

If the individual is otherwise eligible to Medi-Cal, the request must contain the following information:

- Case Name/Number
- Type of override (benefit amount and/or aid type) change
- Affected months
- Names of affected persons; if entire case, please note “entire case”

**REMINDER:**

- Once a bottom-line override is performed, the worker will need to manually generate the appropriate notices of action.
  - If there is a data change and EDBC is rerun, then the override must be performed again.
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**Forms Impact** None

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**Quality Assurance Impact** Effective May 2007 review month, Quality Assurance will cite with the appropriate error any case which does not follow the requirement of this letter.

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**Summary of Change** The table below shows the changes made in the Medi-Cal Program Guide (MPG).

<b>Section</b>	<b>Changes</b>
Article 5, Section 3	Updated qualifying conditions for PD for terminally ill diagnosis

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## Filing Instructions

The table below shows how to file the MPG material.

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Replace	MPG 5-3-5 through 5-3-6 MPG 5-3-C1 through 5-3-C2

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