TO:    LOCAL REGISTRARS OF BIRTH AND DEATH
        CHIEF DEPUTY REGISTRARS OF BIRTH AND DEATH
        COUNTY RECORDERS
        HOSPITAL NURSE MANAGERS

SUBJECT:    CORRECTION TO PAGE 166 OF THE BIRTH AND DEATH
            REGISTRATION HANDBOOK AS ISSUED IN ACL 04-11

Correction.    This letter corrects instructions on page 166 of the Birth and Death
                Registration Handbook for completing field 25D, “Principal Source of
                Payment for Prenatal Care.”

Handbook changes.    The handbook has been updated to reflect corrections described in this letter,
                      and the corrected page is enclosed.

Background.    The State is collecting data on “principal source of payment” separately for
                prenatal care and for delivery. For prenatal care, the State is including
                payments made by Indian Health Service and by CHAMPUS/TRICARE
                within code 05. For delivery, on the other hand, the State is asking that
                payments made by Indian Health Service be reported with code 15 and
                payments made by CHAMPUS/TRICARE be reported with code 16.

Instructions on page 166 of the handbook as issued with ACL 04-11, for
principal source of payment for prenatal care (field 25D, code 05) are
incorrect.

Correct handbook text.    The CORRECT version reads:

“Any form of payment by government agencies, whether federal, state, or
local except Medi-Cal. Coded here are Indian Health Service and
CHAMPUS/TRICARE.”
If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact your Policy/County Analyst.

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Enclosures