

**TO:** Local District Commissioners, MA Directors, IM Directors for  
Centralized SSI Units

**FROM:** Betty Rice, Director  
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**SUBJECT:** Zebley List of Children Who No Longer Meet the Definition of  
Disability and Have Exhausted Their Appeal Rights

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediately

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Please distribute this GIS message and the BICS reports it references to Medicaid Directors and IM Directors for Centralized SSI Units.

98 OMM LCM-002 provided districts with instructions for determining continued Medicaid eligibility for children who lost their SSI due to changes in the disability criteria. A list of children who had lost or could be expected to lose their SSI was an attachment to the LCM. Subsequent lists of potentially affected children were sent to districts via BICS, in conjunction with GIS message 98 MA/023 in July and August, 1998.

The Social Security Administration (SSA) has provided states with lists of SSI children who no longer meet the new definition of disability and have exhausted SSA's administrative appeal process or never appealed their original SSI termination. Three such lists will be transmitted to districts via BICS and will be available on Monday, March 22, 1999. The file name for "The SSI Disabled Children Control List" is WMSBSIDC and can be printed using a range of "WM". New York City will receive their reports via the regular file distribution.

These lists have been evaluated for duplicates against other lists that have previously been provided. List #1 will identify 51 children statewide who have not appeared on previous reports. The instructions contained in 98 OMM LCM-002 for continuing Medicaid for these cases should be followed. List #2 of the report will identify 2,442 cases statewide that have appeared on previous reports, but a change has now occurred to either Payment Status and/or Appeal Type and Date. In the event that this report indicates a child's SSI benefits have been terminated, the instructions contained in 98 OMM LCM 002 should be followed. List #3 will identify 21 cases statewide that have appeared on a previous report, but a change has now occurred to one or more of the following fields:

Date of Birth  
Federal Living Arrangement  
Payee Name, Address, Zip Code  
Diary Code and Diary Date

The information contained on List #3 is being provided for informational purposes in the event districts want to insure their cases reflect the most recent material available from SSA.

Because of the relatively small numbers of cases being transmitted on each of these three reports, it is likely there may be no information to transmit on any given report. When that is the case, the message "No Records on File For District" will appear. Additionally, please be aware that a hard copy of the reports will not be provided by the Department.

Medicaid questions regarding this message or the SSI Disabled Children Report should be directed to Eileen Lombardo at (518) 473-5452. For Public Assistance implications, please refer to Local Commissioners Memorandum 97 LCM-51. Information about children who have lost SSI eligibility should be shared with the Public Assistance and Food Stamp units to determine if there is an impact on the existing PA or FS case.