OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE +-----+ | LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM | +-----+ OTDA-4037EL (Rev. 11/98) Transmittal No: 99 LCM-37 Date: November 18, 1999 Division: OBF&DM

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Claiming Deadlines - TANF Programs

ATTACHMENTS: None

The purpose of this LCM is to provide you with revised claiming deadlines for the first round of DV Liaison, Learnfare, and Merit Incentive TANF Special Projects. The expenditure period for these projects will continue through <u>December 31, 1999</u> and not June 30, 2000 as originally envisioned. We are revising the policy in order to close out the first round of allocations since round two allocations were announced in LCMs issued in September 1999. Local districts must submit the DSS-3922 "Financial Summary for Special Projects" claim form for expenditures for the round one projects by not later than February 15, 2000. Any remaining allocations for these programs will be rolled forward into the district's round 2 allocations for the programs.

Effective January 1, 2000, the second round for these three programs will commence unless a district fully exhausted its round one allocation. In this circumstance of a district exceeding its round one allocation, a district can begin to use the round two allocation effective for July 1999 expenditures forward.

NOTE: The program period for the Domestic Violence allocations is for a two-year period from July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2001 (See 99 LCM-28). The program period for the Learnfare and Merit Incentive Award allocations is for the period from July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000 (See 99 LCM-27 and 99 LCM-26).

After the second round claiming has concluded, any remaining funds for these programs resulting from underspent allocations, will be reallocated to districts that overspent on these projects, unless the State budget for 2000-01 reappropriates the unspent funds for another year.

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The expenditure deadline for Local Flexibility initiatives, Case Management pilots, and Transition/Assessment allocations remain June 30, 2000 with claims submitted by August 15, 2000.

Any questions concerning the submission of claims or claiming deadlines should be directed to Roland Levie (Regions I through IV) at 1-800-343-8859, extension 4-7549 and to Marvin Gold (Region V) at 212-383-1733.

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