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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

TO: State Agencies Administering or Supervising the Administration of Title IV-E of the Social Security Act; and State Independent Living Coordinators

SUBJECT: Reauthorization of the Federal Independent Living Program (ILP) - Availability of Fiscal Year 1993 Funds for the ILP

LEGAL AND RELATED REFERENCES: Sections 472, 474, 475 and 477 of Title IV-E of the Social Security Act; P.L. 102-394; 45 CFR Part 92; and Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (P.L. 103-66)

BACKGROUND: The authorization for the Independent Living Program (ILP) mandated by section 477 of the Social Security Act (the Act) expired on September 30, 1992. The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (P.L. 103-66) permanently reauthorized the ILP effective October 1, 1992.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Information Memorandum (IM) is to provide information regarding changes in the obligation and liquidation periods for FY 1993 ILP funds, which resulted from the enactment of P.L. 103-66. Page 10 of Program Instruction <u>ACYF-PI-93-01</u> (Fiscal and Reporting Requirements) and Program Instruction <u>ACYF-PI-93-09</u> are superseded by this Information Memorandum.

CONTENT: P.L. 103-66 provided for the permanent extension of the ILP and was effective retroactive to October 1, 1992. This was the only amendment to section 477. The time period for the liquidation of ILP funds was not amended and the language of section 477 (f) remains as follows:

"Payments made to a State under this section for any fiscal year . . . shall be expended by such State in such fiscal year or in the succeeding year."

As a result, the obligation and liquidation periods set forth in Program Instructions <u>ACYF-PI-93-01</u> and <u>ACYF-PI-93-09</u> are no longer mandated. The grant award is available for obligation

beginning October 1, 1992 and ending September 30, 1994. These funds must be expended (liquidated) by September 30, 1994. Although the final financial reports are due December 31, 1994 for the period ending September 30, 1994, there is no authority to liquidate funds after September 30, 1994.

Attached are amended grant awards which reflect the continuing two-year expenditure period.

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