

For: State and County Offices

Program Determination Changes for CLDAP Producers

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1 Overview

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Background

On May 5, 1999, County Offices uploaded CLDAP program data to KCMO. The purpose of this upload was to determine:

- a national payment factor for the CLDAP single-year and multi-year programs
- which program was the most beneficial for each producer enrolled in CLDAP.

On May 28, 1999, the program determination file was downloaded to County Offices that included the most beneficial program determination indicator for each producer on a CLDAP application as of May 5, 1999.

Notice DAP-32 advised State and County Offices that corrections should continue to be updated in the system after the May 5 upload.

On June 2, 1999, County Offices uploaded data to KCMO for additional program determination processing. The new program determination file was downloaded to County Offices on June 9, 1999.

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Purpose

This notice advises State and County Offices:

- that the data uploaded on June 2 resulted in changes to the most beneficial program for some producers
- how payment processing is affected by the program determination changes from one program to another.

Disposal Date	Distribution
January 1, 2000	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Program Determination Changes

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Introduction

On June 2, County Offices uploaded CLDAP program data to KCMO. Based on the updated program data, nationwide, the initial program determination for 908 producers has changed.

Example: Producer A is a multi-county producer with single-year applications in 5 counties and a multi-year application in the control county. Based on the data uploaded on May 5, the producer's most beneficial program was determined to be single-year.

After updating the worksheet process to reflect additional NAP payments issued, the producer's most beneficial program changed from single-year to multi-year after the June 2 uploaded data was processed.

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June 9 Program Determination Download

Because the single-year and multi-year programs have separate program funding allocations, payments issued to producers must be disbursed with the correct program code. If a producer's most beneficial program determination changed after the May 28 download, all payments issued to the producer must be "moved" to the correct "pot" for accounting purposes.

Software to assist County Offices in handling payments to producers whose most beneficial program has changed, has not been completed; therefore; the program determination data downloaded from KCMO on June 9 does not include producers whose program has changed. As a result, these producers will not be listed on the Program Determination Report generated after the June 9 download is processed.

Note: See 1-DAP paragraph 1356 for additional information on printing the Program Determination Report.

Notice DAP-37 advised State and County Offices that additional uploads will occur on June 16 and June 30. Until the overpayment process software is completed, any producer whose most beneficial program changes from one program to another will be excluded from future downloads.

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3 Payment/Overpayment Processing

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Affect on Payment Processing

The CLDAP payment process uses the program determination file to initiate the payment calculation process. If a producer is not included on the program determination file, additional payments cannot be issued to that producer.

A future program determination download will include the revised program determination indicator for producers in this situation and additional payments can be issued to these producers at that time.

Note: County Offices shall continue to print and review the Program Determination Report to ensure that payments are issued correctly to producers.

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Overpayment Software

A large volume of calls have been received requesting guidance on handling payments already issued to producers whose most beneficial program changed after the May 5 upload.

The CLDAP overpayment software is being designed to:

- calculate CLDAP overpayments and provide the capability to transfer overpayment amounts to the Common Receivable System (CRS)
- handle situations where payments were disbursed to producers whose program determination changes in a subsequent download.

At this time, a projected software release date is not available. County Offices shall not take any action to “correct” or collect payments issued to producers whose most beneficial program has changed. Directives will be issued when the overpayment software is available, instructing County Offices on how to handle these situations.
