

## **Notice of Determination of TBS Equivalent Services:**

November 11, 2010

As Special Master for the Emily Q. v Bonta matter, and in accordance with the Emily Q Nine Point Plan, it is my responsibility to certify that the Level II counties identified in the Nine Point Plan reach the four percent TBS service benchmark, either through TBS services or through TBS-equivalent services to children in the Emily Q class.

The County of Kern, Mental Health Services requested that 74 children served through four unique programs: Clinica Sierra Vista Behavioral Health, Child Guidance Clinic and Kern County Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care and Dialectical Behavior Treatment Wraparound Team be considered as receiving TBS equivalent services. On November 8, 2010 my staff and I reviewed all 32 case records and found that 13 of the 32 records (forty-two percent) fulfilled the TBS equivalent requirements. Based on this, I hereby determine that 31 of the children served by the above unique programs during fiscal year 2009/10 received TBS equivalent services and that these 31 children may be added to the number of children who received TBS services during 2009/10 for the purpose of fulfilling Kern County's four percent TBS benchmark requirement.

Richard Saletta, LCSW  
Special Master