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TO: LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
   LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM CHIEFS
   LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATORS
   COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
   CHAIRPERSONS, LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARDS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2008-09 MAXIMUM RATE LIMITS FOR
         SHORT-DOYLE/MEDI-CAL SERVICES

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) has established maximum reimbursement rates for
Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal (SD/MC) services as required by Welfare & Institutions Code (W&IC)
Section 5720(a) and (b). These Statewide Maximum Allowances (SMA) will apply to all
SD/MC eligible services by service function, for the time period of July 1, 2008 through June
30, 2009.

Please be advised that since the Hospital Administrative Day rate is set by the Department
of Health Care Services (DHCS), with an effective date of August 1 through July 31, only the
rate for the period of July 1, 2008 through July 31, 2008 is reflected in the enclosed SMA
rate schedule.

Once DMH receives notification from DHCS of the Hospital Administrative Day rate for
the period of August 1, 2008 through July 31, 2009, a revised SMA rate schedule will be
published and made available for download through the DMH Information Technology Web
Site (ITWS).

A schedule of the established SMA rates reflecting all services for FY 2008-09 is enclosed.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact
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Sincerely,

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Enclosure