DATE: April 1, 2010

DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO.: 10-07

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

SUBJECT: THRESHOLD LANGUAGES

SUPERSEDES: DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 08-18

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) has updated the threshold language data reports. These reports are provided to all counties on an annual basis. Attached are the reports for each county for fiscal year 2009-2010. Counties are required to comply with all threshold language requirements contained in Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 1810.410 and Cultural Competence Plan (CCP) requirements contained in DMH Information Notice No. 10-02.

"Threshold Language" means a language that has been identified as the primary language, as indicated on the Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS), of 3,000 beneficiaries or five percent of the beneficiary population, whichever is lower, in an identified geographic area, per Title 9, CCR, Section 1810.410 (a) (3).

Questions regarding how threshold languages are determined should be directed to Terry MacRae at (916) 657-3530. Questions regarding threshold language CCP requirements should be directed to Kimberly Knifong of the Office of Multicultural Services at (916) 653-0767.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Director

Enclosures

CC: Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission
    Oversight and Accountability Commission Chair of Cultural and Linguistic Competency
    California Mental Health Planning Council
    County Mental Health Directors Association
    Cultural Competency/Ethnic Services Managers