January 25, 2010

DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO.: 10-02

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

SUBJECT: THE 2010 CULTURAL COMPETENCE PLAN REQUIREMENTS

REFERENCE DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 02-03

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) is issuing the enclosed revised 2010 Cultural Competence Plan Requirements (CCPR). The 2010 CCPR is DMH’s mechanism to expand and integrate cultural competence from Specialty Mental Health Services to the entire mental health system. This CCPR supersedes previous Information Notice 02-03 and goes into effect immediately.

“Small Counties”, as defined by Title 9, California Code of Regulations, Section 3200.640, shall complete and submit a 2010 CCPR Modification, pursuant to the DMH Information Notice that will follow this notice; however, small counties can opt to complete this full 2010 CCPR.

Counties will have six months from the release of this Information Notice to complete their 2010 CCPR. During those six months, DMH will offer regional Technical Assistance Training to counties. The 2010 CCPR will be due to DMH on July 28, 2010. County CCPR submissions will be reviewed and scored by DMH. Please submit one original, three copies, and one compact disc of the document saved in PDF (preferred) or Microsoft Word (1997-2003) format to:

Department of Mental Health
Office of Multicultural Services
1600 9th Street, Room 153
Sacramento, Ca. 95814
If you have any further questions regarding the 2010 CCPR, please contact the Office of Multicultural Services at (916) 651-9524, or Kimberly Knifong at (916) 653-0767, by email Kimberly.Knifong@dmh.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

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Director

Enclosures: 2010 CCPR

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