DHCS Form 5510

MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan or Update Extension FY 2020-21

Background and Instructions

Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code section 5847(h), allows a county that is unable to complete and submit a Three-Year Program Expenditure Plan (Plan) or annual update (update) for fiscal year (FY) 2020-21 due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency to extend the effective time frame of its currently approved Plan or update to include FY 2020-21, and submit the subsequent Plan or Update on July 1, 2021.

This document provides notification to DHCS that the County is extending the effective time frame of its currently approved Plan or Update to include FY 2020-21, per W&I Code section 5847(h).

Please enter the requested information in the fields below and submit a completed form electronically to DHCS at <u>MHSA@DHCS.ca.gov</u>.

Section I: County Information

a. Type of Planor Update Plan

b. Date current Plan/Update was approved 8-18-20

Section II: Stakeholder Notification

Stakeholders have been notified that the County is extending the effective time frame of its currently approved Plan or update to include FY 2020-21 as

of: June 2, 2020

Section III: Extension Justification

Provide a brief summary describing how the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency inhibited the County's ability to complete and submit its Three-year Plan or annual update for FY 2020-21.

Beginning in July 2019, the Department commenced a robust MHSA Planning process for the new FY 2020-2023 Three-Year Plan. A Planning group held over 25 meetings throughout the Country. The support from the community was overwhelmingly positive and feedback was received in various formats such as surveys, comment cards, photos, poems, and painted art. As the planning group began to draft the Plan in March 2020, COVID-19 rapidly changed prioritized operations and plan development. The Department maintained essential Behavioral Health services with telehealth, reduced on-site locations, and expanded outreach coordination in the community as many were and remain in isolation. As a result of COVID-19, the Plan was posted Online in June and the Behavioral Wellness Commission hosted a Zoom hearing in July and the Board of Supervisors approved the plan in August via a Zoom meeting. The Health Emergency delayed publication in order to ensure the Plan received adequate public input through new Online formats and with altered meeting schedules.

Section IV: Certification

The undersigned certifies that the information included in this form is complete and accurate to the best of their ability.

	Alice Gleghorn, PhD	8-31-20
County Behavioral Health Director Signature	Printed Name	Date