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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: GUIDELINES FOR PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION

(PEI) STATEWIDE PROGRAMS¹

REFERENCE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT,

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTIONS 5840

This Information Notice transmits to Counties² the Proposed Guidelines for Counties to submit their request for PEI Statewide Funds made available in planning estimates for Suicide Prevention, Stigma and Discrimination Reduction and Student Mental Health in DMH Information Notice 08-25³. These guidelines provide information to Counties on allowable use of PEI Statewide Funds. In addition they contain content and format instructions for updates to the PEI Component of the County's Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plans that includes PEI Statewide Funds.

These Guidelines are applicable to all requests for PEI Statewide Funds submitted to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) after January 28, 2010, the date the Guidelines were approved by the MHSOAC.

¹ "PEI Statewide Programs" means the PEI statewide programs funded from the PEI component of the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan made available in planning estimates in DMH Information Notice 08-25.

² "County" means a County Mental Health Department, two or more County Mental Health Departments acting jointly, and/or a city-operated program receiving funds per Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5701.5 (California Code of Regulations, Section 3200.090).

³ For purposes of these Guidelines these funds will be referred to as "PEI Statewide Funds."

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For further information, clarification or questions about these Guidelines, please contact MHSOAC staff, Vivian Lee at (916) 445-8721 or Vivian.lee@dmh.ca.gov. For statewide program design and planning questions you may contact DMH staff Sandra Black at Sandra.black@dmh.ca.gov, (916) 651-1120 or Cielo Avalos at Cielo.avalos@dmh.ca.gov, (916) 651-5769.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

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Enclosures (11)

cc: California Mental Health Directors Association
California Mental Health Planning Council
Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission
Community Programs Branch, County Technical Assistance