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Department of Behavioral Health

Mental Health Services Act

**Prevention and Early Intervention
Statewide Projects Assignment**

June 1, 2010

**County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health
Mental Health Services Act (MHSA, Prop. 63)
Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Statewide PEI Projects
Planning and Assignment Summary**

Introduction

In response to California Department of Mental Health Information Notices 10-05 and 10-06 (http://www.dmh.ca.gov/DMHDocs/2010_Notices.asp), the County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) and their stakeholder committees have determined that to best support the implementation of the Statewide Mental Health Services Act (MHSA, Prop. 63) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Programs, the DBH will assign the Statewide PEI Program funding to the California Department of Mental Health (DMH). The assignment includes a specific request that the funding should be used to support a contractual agreement with the California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA), a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) developed to fund mental health services and education programs as determined on a regional, statewide, or other basis (see Enclosure 1).

Background

In 2007, The Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC), the approving authority for MHSA Prevention and Early Intervention programs, approved the use of four years of PEI planning estimates to implement five (5) statewide projects. The intended impact of these five, time limited projects was to support implementation of the PEI Programs being put into operation across the entire state by embedding an appropriate infrastructure. The five projects include:

- Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building;
- Student Mental Health Initiative;
- Stigma and Discrimination Reduction;
- Suicide Prevention;
- Reducing Disparities through Racial, Cultural, and Specific Programs.

In May 2008, the MHSOAC determined that the Statewide PEI Programs would be most effective if implemented by a single statewide entity. Three statewide strategic plans were developed (Student Mental Health Initiative, Stigma and Discrimination Reduction, and Suicide Prevention) and the MHSOAC determined that the Programs should be administered by a single, statewide entity, DMH. In addition, Training, Technical Assistance, and Capacity Building programs would be implemented at the local level but must have a statewide impact.

In August 2009, the MHSOAC determined that additional options should be made available to counties in accessing PEI Statewide Project funds for statewide PEI Programs. Guiding Principles were adopted in September 2009 and Final Guidelines were released via DMH Information Notices in March 2010.

Community Planning Process

As required by MHSA guidelines, DBH continues to conduct an open process to determine the recommended stakeholder actions for implementation of the PEI Statewide Programs. The DBH and its' partners, conducted forums to educate, discuss, and illicit recommended actions for implementation. A synopsis of the stakeholder process is outlined below.

Dates and stakeholder groups include:

- *(To be completed after additional input is received at the close of the comment period)*

Additionally, from June 1, 2010 through July 1, 2010, DBH will post the Draft Summary (in English and Spanish) and the required Enclosure 1 form from DMH Information Notice 10-05 along with English and Spanish comment sheets. Stakeholder meetings will continue to be conducted during this time to ensure key partners have the opportunity to be considered in the decision making process.

During 30 day posting:

- *(To be completed with comments and suggestions received during posting)*

Conclusion

During the preliminary process, diverse stakeholders overwhelmingly identified the recommended action of assigning the allocation to State DMH to fund an agreement with the California Mental Health Services Authority JPA.

At the end of the 30 day posting period and after all community forums have been conducted, the County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health will submit Enclosure 1 from Information Notice 10-05. The request will include that FY 08-09, FY 09-10, FY 10-11, and FY 11-12 of the available PEI Statewide Project funding be assigned to the California Department of Mental Health to support a contractual agreement between DMH and the CalMHSA JPA.

SUPPLEMENTAL MHSA PEI STATEWIDE PROGRAMS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

County of San Bernardino

County of San Bernardino (the County) agrees to participate in the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Statewide Programs funded from the PEI Component of the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan. The three Statewide Programs intended to be funded by this agreement are: Suicide Prevention, Student Mental Health Initiative, and Stigma and Discrimination Reduction.

The County agrees that upon its execution of this Agreement, the following amounts will be assigned to DMH concurrent with the start of the State Fiscal Year (SFY) for which they are made available subject to the effective conditions specified below:

- \$ (2,153,800) of the County's SFY 08/09 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation
- \$ (2,153,800) of the County's SFY 09/10 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation
- \$ (2,153,800) of the County's SFY 10/11 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation
- \$ (2,153,800) of the County's SFY 11/12 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation

Assignment to the Department of Mental Health

Funds in the amount specified will be transferred from the Mental Health Services Fund Local Assistance portion of the DMH state budget, item 4440-601-3085 to the DMH state budget, item 4440-101-3085, Program 10, Local Assistance.

The County makes the assignment to (please check one):

- Fund DMH administration of these programs.
- Fund a contract pursuant to WIC 5897 (a) between DMH and California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) to support CalMHSA administration of these programs.

Assignment shall be effective only upon:

- review and comment by DMH and approval by Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC);
- a fully executed County MHSA Agreement with DMH; and
- appropriation of sufficient funds in the State Budget Act to allow DMH to expend the funds assigned by counties to support the PEI Statewide Programs outlined above.

Pursuant to WIC 5892(a)(3) assigned funds intended to fund a contract between DMH and CalMHSA may be distributed to CalMHSA only after a PEI Statewide Program and Expenditure Plan or update has been approved by the MHSOAC.

¹ "County" may be a county mental health program, two or more counties acting jointly, or a city-operated mental health program pursuant to Welfare & Institutions Code Section 5701.5.

Release of Planning Funds

The County may request funds for the purpose of conducting the Community Program Planning and Local Review Processes, for preparing, drafting and submitting Plan/updates and for other planning activities be distributed to the JPA.

Pursuant to its Assignment above to fund a contract pursuant to WIC 5897 (a) between DMH and California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) to support CalMHSA administration of these programs, the County authorizes the release of Planning funds under this contract to the JPA in the following amounts:

- \$ (430,760) of the County's SFY 08/09 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation
- \$ (430,760) of the County's SFY 09/10 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation
- \$ (430,760) of the County's SFY 10/11 PEI Statewide Program Component Allocation

Approved for County (by signature)	Date:
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