


**DHCS Form 5510**

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

<b>Background and Instructions</b>		
<p>Welfare and Institutions (W&amp;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.</p> <p>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&amp;I Code section 5847(h).</p> <p>Please enter the requested information in the fields below and submit a completed form electronically to DHCS at <a href="mailto:MHSA@DHCS.ca.gov">MHSA@DHCS.ca.gov</a>.</p>		
<b>Section I: County Information</b>		
a. Type of Plan or Update	Plan	
b. Date current Plan/Update was approved	August 8, 2017	
<b>Section II: Stakeholder Notification</b>		
<p>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: 06.26.20</p>		
<b>Section III: Extension Justification</b>		
<p>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.</p> <p>Stanislaus County is experiencing an increase in positive tests and hospitalizations, thus the County adhered to State guidance which impeded the department's ability to engage stakeholders in a meaningful community planning and local review process as required by MHSA statute. Although Stanislaus County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (SCBRS) has convened stakeholder meetings via web-based video streaming, there are barriers to our peers, families and other key diverse stakeholders from fully participating. The department has developed alternative stakeholder planning process and anticipates, given the extended time, a robust stakeholder process that will satisfy MHSA stakeholder planning requirements.</p> <p>In addition, the Covid-19 Pandemic has delayed the departments revenue projections which is a critical piece of information for the of three-year planning. The unanticipated decrease in revenue in 2019/2020 and projections for 2020/2021 require the department to substantively change the overall direction of the Three-Year Plan originally envisioned before the Covid-19 pandemic. The use of current reserves to backfill 2019/2020 revenue losses will result in limited fund balance for next FY which the department had utilized to stabilize funding levels year over year. Until the department completes a final budget in September for FY2020/2021, that includes finalizing accessing additional relief or other revenue to offset losses, a three-year plan would not be informed by accurate fiscal data. The department request an extension to allow for a redesigned community stakeholder process that meets MHSA guidelines and time to finalize MHSA fiscal positions to accurately inform the public on the available resources for the Three-year Plan.</p>		
<b>Section IV: Certification</b>		
<p>The undersigned certifies that the information included in this form is complete and accurate to the best of their ability.</p>		
 _____ County Behavioral Health Director Signature	Ruben Imperial _____ Printed Name	8.28.20 _____ Date