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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: MENTAL HEALTH PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

REFERENCE DMH INFORMATION NOTICES 02-06 AND 02-08

This is to inform you that the requirements announced in DMH Information Notices No. 02-06 and 02-08 will not be implemented as state requirements of Mental Health Plans (MHPs) until an appropriate regulation is in place. The Department is working to finalize the regulation, and you will be notified when the regulation is officially promulgated.

If you have any questions, please call Rita McCabe-Hax, Chief, Managed Care Implementation at 916-651-9370.

Sincerely,

(Original Signed By)

Wm. DAVID DAWSON Chief Deputy Director

Cc: California Mental Health Planning Council Chief, Technical Assistance and Training Chief, Managed Care Implementation