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Mental Health

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DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO.: 06-06

TO: LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM CHIEFS
LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATORS
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS
CHAIRPERSONS, LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARDS

SUBJECT: INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING RATES NEGOTIATED
FOR PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES
CONTRACTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

REFERENCE: Title 9, California Code of Regulations, Sections 1810.375,
1820.110

This notice is being sent to clarify a misunderstanding brought to the Department of Mental Health's (DMH) attention that contracts with hospitals must be finalized prior to Mental Health Plans (MHPs) submitting negotiated rates to DMH.

The DMH is requesting that county MHPs submit contract rates negotiated for Fee-For-Service/Medi-Cal (FFS/MC) psychiatric inpatient hospital services with providers in their counties pursuant to Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR) §1820.110 to DMH as soon as negotiations are complete. It is unnecessary to wait until final execution of hospital contracts by the county Board of Supervisors before submitting the negotiated rates to DMH.

Please continue to submit FFS/MC contract hospital rates no later than June 1 prior to the beginning of each State fiscal year as required by Title 9, CCR, §1810.375(c).

If you have not provided DMH with negotiated rate information for FFS/MC inpatient hospitals in your county for FY 2006-07, please do so immediately. Please submit negotiated rate information to:

Department of Mental Health
Attn: Anthony Sotelo
Medi-Cal Operations Section
1600 Ninth Street, Room 100
Sacramento, CA 95814-6414

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If you should have any questions or need additional information, please contact Anthony Sotelo, Chief of Medi-Cal Operations, at (916) 654-5722.

Sincerely,

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Director

cc: California Mental Health Planning Council
Chief, County Operations
Chief, Program Compliance