DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
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July 9, 1998

DMH INFORMATION NOTICE NO.: 98-10

TO: LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM CHIEFS LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATORS

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

CHAIRPERSONS, LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARDS

SUBJECT: FISCAL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CHILDREN PLACED

OUT-OF-STATE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 26.5 OF THE

GOVERNMENT CODE (AB 3632)

REFERENCE: Sections 60000 through 606 10, California Code of Regulations, Title 2,

Division 9, Chapter 1; Sections 7570 through 7588 of Title 1, Division 7, Chapter

26.5 of the Government Code.

EXPIRES: Retain Until Superseded

Pursuant to Chapter 654, Statutes of 1996 (Assembly Bill 2726), county mental health departments are now fiscally responsible for mental health services provided to pupils placed out-of-state under Chapter 26.5 of the Government Code. Quarterly face to face contact with these children will also be required of county mental health departments pursuant to this law as part of the case management responsibilities included in Chapter 26.5 of the Government Code. County mental health departments are also required by this legislation to pay mental health treatment costs which out-of-state providers now break out and bill for separately from costs related to education and room and board (see attachment A).

Prior to the passage of this bill, local education agencies paid for these services pursuant to the California Code of Regulations, Section 60200(c)(3) which stated that "The local education agency shall be fiscally responsible for the mental health services when an individual with exceptional needs is placed in a nonpublic school outside of the State of California."

Assembly Bill 2726 amended this Section as follows: "The fiscal and program responsibilities of community mental health services shall be the same regardless of the location of the placement. Local education agencies and community mental health services shall make out-of-state placements under this chapter only if other options have been considered and are determined to be inappropriate. In making these placements, local education agencies and community mental

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OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT AGENCIES

Agency	DMH Daily Rate	Residential Daily Rate
Colorado Boys Ranch 280 Highway 109, P.O. Box 681 La Junta, Colorado 81050 Tel. (719) 384-5981 Fax (719) 384-8119 Charles Thompson, President and CEO	\$91.30	108.45
Daystar Residential, Inc. 3941 County Road 895 Manvel, Texas 77578 Tel. (281) 489-0317 Fax (281) 443-0167 C.M. Salls, Executive Director	\$20.00	. 160.00
Devereux Arizona Treatment Network 6436 East Sweetwater Avenue Scottsdale, Arizona 85254 Tel (602) 998-2920 Fax (602) 443-1531 Steven Vitali, Executive Director	RTC \$51.00 TGH \$29.00	139.00 120.00
Devereux Glenholme 81 Sabbaday Lane Washington, Connecticut 06793 Tel (860) 868-7377 Fax (860) 868-0269 Gary Fitzherbert, Executive Director	\$21.58	117.08
Devereux Texas Treatment Network 1150 Devereux Drive League City, Texas 77573 Tel (713) 335-1000 Fax (713) 332-2301 Gail Atkinson, Executive Director	Unit 4 & 5 \$88.17 Unit 1 \$119.24 Unit 6 \$123.20 Victoria Campus \$46.06	164.00 League City Victoria 123.09

Agency	DMH Daily Rate	Residential Daily Rate
Emily Griffith Center 14142 Denver West Parkway, Ste 192 Golden, Colorado 80401 Tel (303) 277-1010 Fax (303) 277-1173	\$72.00	106.06
Howard Shiffman, Executive Director		
Excelsior Youth Center 15001 E. Oxford Avenue Aurora, Colorado 80014 Tel (303) 693-1550 Fax (303) 693-8309	\$ 35.31	112.36
Bill Gregory, Executive Director		
Fores& Heights Lodge P.O. Box 789 Evergreen, Colorado 80437-0789 Tel (303) 6746681 Fax (303) 6766805	\$ 4 5.3 8	99.31
Linda Clefisch, Executive Director		
Heritage Center 5600 N. Heritage School Drive Provo, Utah 84604 Tel (801) 225-5552 Fax (801) 226-4696	\$46.04	119.17
Jerry Spanos, Executive Director	_	
Island View Academy 2650 West 2700 South Syracuse, Utah 84075 Tel (801) 773-0200 Fax (801) 773-0208	\$39.50	117.00
Jared Bather, Executive Director		<u> </u>
Mental Health systems, Inc. (Provo Canyon School) P.O. Box 1441 Provo, Utah 84601 Tel (801) 227-2000 Fax (801) 223-7130	\$58.00	120.00
Larry Carter, Executive Director		

Agency	DMH Daily Rate	Residential Daily Rate
Secret Harbor School 1809 Commercial Avenue Anacortes, Washington 98221-0440 Tel (360) 293-5151 Fax (360) 293-0692 Brian Carroll, Executive Director	\$24.49	84.55
Yellowstone Treatment Centers 1732 South 72nd Street West Billings, Montana 59106-3599 Tel (406) 655-2100 Fax (406) 656-0021 Sally Mangum, Patient Accounts Manager	\$61.00	164.00

health services shall comply with relevant sections of the Education Code, including Section 56365. This Section shall become operative on July 1, 1997."

If you should have any questions or need additional information, please call Scott Berenson at (916) 654-2988.

Sincerely,

GARY M. PETTIGREW

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Deputy Director Systems of Care

Enclosure

cc: California Mental Health Planning Council Chief, Technical Assistance and Training