State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
Department of Health Care Services

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TO: COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTORS
             COUNTY DRUG & ALCOHOL ADMINISTRATORS
             COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION OF
             CALIFORNIA
             CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
             AGENCIES
             COALITION OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ASSOCIATIONS
             CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAM
             EXECUTIVES, INC.
             CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES
             CALIFORNIA OPIOID MAINTENANCE PROVIDERS
             CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

SUBJECT: REGIONAL AVERAGE RATES FOR NON-CONTRACT PSYCHIATRIC
             INPATIENT HOSPITALS FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2018-19

California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 9, Section 1820.115 requires the
Department of Health Care Services to calculate the reimbursement rates for acute
psychiatric inpatient hospital services for each Fee-for-Service/Medi-Cal (FFS/MC)
hospital that does not have a contract with a Mental Health Plan.

The per diem rate by accommodation code is equal to the weighted average per diem
rates by accommodation code negotiated for all FFS/MC hospitals within the five rate
regions defined in CCR, Section 1820.115(i). If there are no FFS/MC hospitals within
the rate region with a negotiated rate for an accommodation code, the weighted average
per diem rate for that accommodation code is equal to the weighted average negotiated
for all FFS/MC hospitals statewide. The per diem rates include routine and hospital-
based ancillary services, but exclude professional services. Enclosure 1 displays the
FY 2018-19 rates by accommodation code and rate region.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Danette McReynolds at (916) 713-8744 or danette.mcreynolds@dhcs.ca.gov

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Enclosure