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Mental Health

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TO: COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: STATE HOSPITAL RATES AND BED PURCHASE INSTRUCTIONS
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-13

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) has updated the daily hospital bed rate counties are charged for patients civilly committed to a state hospital. The charges are effective July 1, 2012 and include three rates. The tiered rate plan addresses three levels of patient acuity: acute, intermediate care and skilled nursing. Patients are classified by acuity based on a hospital physician's assessment, determining the appropriate course of treatment for a patient. Attachment 1 – Hospital Bed Rates provides rate detail, rate methodology and calculations. Attachment 2 – Historical Hospital Population Data provides hospital population data from FY 2005-06 through FY 2010-11.

Attachment 3 - Enclosure B, County Request for State Hospital Beds for FY 12-13 is due to DMH by **July 31, 2012**. Counties that do not submit Enclosure B will be charged for the number and type of beds purchased in the prior fiscal year. DMH monitors bed usage on a monthly basis at which time the actual net dollar of the beds utilized is compared to the contracted dollar amount. If the net dollar value of a county's actual bed utilization exceeds the contracted amount, excess bed usage will be charged.

If you have questions related to Enclosure B, contact Sierra Bishop, Cost Containment & Allocations at (916) 651-1020. Questions regarding hospital bed rates should be directed to Irene Briggs, Assistant Deputy Director, Administration at (916) 653-0766.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

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Attachments

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