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DEPARTMENT LETTER: 22-004

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TO: DSH DIVERSION COUNTY PROGRAMS

SUBJECT: DEADLINE EXTENSION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
HOSPITALS (DSH) DIVERSION PROGRAM HOUSING EXPANSION
FUNDS

EXPIRES: END OF CURRENT CONTRACT TERM

Purpose

This Departmental Letter provides counties with an update on the DSH Diversion program housing expansion funds.

Background

DSH received funds in the 2021-22 Budget to expand Community Based Restoration (CBR) and Felony Mental Health Diversion (Diversion) programs. As part of the expansion, DSH provided counties with an opportunity to establish new or expand their existing diversion programs and receive additional funding for providing housing services to clients that were found Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) per Penal Code §1370 and on the DSH waitlist.

To provide counties with an opportunity to maximize this funding opportunity, the original deadlines of August 31 and December 31, 2022 that counties had to utilize the funds has been extended, as follows:

- Counties may invoice DSH for up to \$150,000 per client for IST clients diverted from the DSH Waitlist by January 31, 2023 (this includes clients diverted on January 31, 2023).
- Counties may invoice DSH for up to \$100,000 per client for IST clients diverted from the DSH Waitlist after January 31 and prior to April 30, 2023 (this includes clients diverted on April 30, 2023).

General Eligibility Requirements

Any county that has a housing contract with DSH is eligible for this expansion.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact DSH Diversion by email at DSHDiversion@dsh.ca.gov.

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