

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS  
FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS  
ENHANCED TREATMENT PROGRAM**

California Code of Regulations  
Title 9. Rehabilitative and Developmental Services  
Division 1. Department of Mental Health  
Chapter 17. Enhanced Treatment Program

**UPDATE OF THE INFORMATION IN THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

There are no updates to the Initial Statement of Reasons.

**LOCAL MANDATE STATEMENT**

Mandate on local agencies and school districts: The Department of State Hospitals (Department) has determined that the proposed regulations would not impose a mandate on any local agency or school district that requires reimbursement by the state under Government Code, Division 4, Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500).

**SUMMARY OF EACH OBJECTION OR RECOMMENDATION MADE REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS**

No objections or recommendations were received during the 45-day public comment period regarding these proposed regulations.

**STATEMENT OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Department has made the determination that no reasonable alternative considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Department would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulations are proposed or would be as effective as and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

These regulations clarify referral, admission, and discharge to the Enhanced Treatment Program (ETP) and other relevant treatment components necessary to establish the ETP. This clarification was made pursuant to Assembly Bill 1340 (2014), which requires the Department to establish and maintain a pilot ETP to treat patients at high risk of most dangerous behavior when safe treatment is not possible in a standard treatment environment, but does not provide guidance on logistics and patients' rights issues, which must be clarified to implement the ETP. No alternatives were presented to the Department for review.

## **NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES MADE TO THE REGULATIONS TEXT AFTER THE 45-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No objections or recommendations were received during the 45-day public comment period regarding these proposed regulations.

At the discretion of the Department, the following nonsubstantive changes were made:

### Throughout the regulations text:

- Instances of “FNAT Supervising Psychologist” is changed to “FNAT supervising psychologists” for consistency.
- “section” is changed to “Section” when not preceded by a code.
- Commas are added and removed for additional clarity.
- “Note:” added before the authority cited at the end of each section.

### Specific Changes:

- Under Section 4902(a), “patient” is changed to “patients’.”