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TO: COUNTY ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS  
COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: DUAL MEDI-CAL (MC) CERTIFICATION

Enclosed is a copy of the Application for Medi-Cal Program Participation for Substance Abuse Clinics and Dual Diagnosis Programs. The application describes a new process for dual MC certification for substance abuse clinics and mental health service providers. This process was jointly developed by the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) and the Department of Mental Health (DMH). The goal of dual certification is to have a single application form and a single certification review which are applicable for both departments. This is one of many areas identified by the Dual Diagnosis Task Force to reduce barriers between the two systems.

Providers requesting MC certification for a substance abuse clinic, those wishing to add mental health services for a provider that is already certified as a substance abuse clinic, or a new applicant for a substance abuse clinic and mental health services (dual certification) are to use the newly developed application package. The package contains a specific description of the process and provides details on where to obtain further information.

Should you have any questions regarding the dual certification process, please contact ADP representative Chuck Browning at (916) 322-2510, or DMH representatives Moss Nader, Chief, MC Oversight South, at (562) 868-2275 or Bob Cacic, Chief, MC Oversight North, at (916) 654-3607.

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