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**California Mental Health Commission Authorizes Notice of Intent to Award Mental Health Services Act Evaluation Contract to the Regents of the University of California, UCLA**

Today, the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) authorized its Executive Director to issue a “Notice of Intent to Award Contract” to the Regents of the University of California, UCLA for the Initial Statewide Evaluation of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) (Request for Proposal # 10-70123-000). The proposal submitted by UCLA received the overall highest score in response to the Request for Proposal #10-70123-000. The contract to be awarded is approximately \$1,000,000. The bid protest period begins today.

The MHSOAC is engaged in an evaluation of the MHSA as part of the MHSOAC’s responsibility for providing oversight and to ensure funds are spent true to the intent and purpose of the MHSA. The MHSOAC met by teleconference this morning.

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