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DATE OF MEETING: 7/23/12

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AGENDA ITEM: Begin Initial Discussion of Priority Recommendations for Use of \$875K Evaluation Funding for Fiscal Year 2012-2013

ENCLOSURES:

- DRAFT MHSOAC Evaluation Committee Initial Discussion Document Regarding FY 12/13 Evaluation Resources, July 19, 2012
- Establishing Priorities and Focusing Evaluations Of the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, September 14, 2011
- Format for Proposal for 2012-13 MHSOAC Evaluation
- Proposal "G" for FY 2011-12 MHSOAC Evaluation
- Mental Health Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) Previously Approved Principles/Strategies Regarding Evaluations Summary for Evaluation Committee 6/27/2012

OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM:

Issue:

The 2012 Evaluation Committee Charter includes the responsibility to "Recommend priorities for the FY 2012-13 MHSOAC evaluation resources to the MHSOAC. Explore feasibility of including an evaluation of Innovation." The attached discussion document is intended to initiate dialogue regarding use of the \$875K available evaluation resources for FY 2012-13.

The Committee will begin initial discussions regarding the use of the \$875K at the July 23rd meeting and briefly describe any additional funding options for consideration. The results of the discussion and Committee input will be used in the development of proposals for Committee consideration at the August meeting. The final proposed recommendations will be provided to the Commission at the September 2012 MHSOAC meeting for action.

Background:

Consistent with the process adopted by the Committee, the attached document titled, "Establishing Priorities and Focusing Evaluations of the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, September 14, 2011" was developed by MHSOAC staff based on prior Committee discussions to use as a tool to assist with the decision making procedure in prioritizing recommendations for use of the evaluation funds. The document has been revised several times and finalized in September 2011 after considerable input from the Committee regarding its content.

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Background (continued):

To obtain priority recommendations for use of evaluation resources, staff developed the attached document titled, "Format for Proposal for FY 2012-13 MHSOAC Evaluation". This document is identical to that adopted by the Committee to consider ideas for potential evaluation priorities in the prior fiscal year.

At the August 2012 Evaluation Committee meeting, members will consider proposals using the attached format to prioritize options for use of the FY 2012-13 \$875K evaluation funds and finalize recommendations to provide to the Commission in September 2012.

The attached "Proposal G" is a sample of a FY 2011-12 proposal approved by the MHSOAC that resulted in the Reducing Disparities in Access evaluation currently awarded to UCD.

The MHSOAC has approved a number of documents in recent years to provide guidance regarding Commission principles about evaluation priorities and strategies for its approach to evaluation. A summary of the essential elements comprised from those documents regarding MHSOAC evaluation are available on the attached document titled, "Mental Health Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) Previously Approved Principles/Strategies Regarding Evaluations Summary for Evaluation Committee, 6/27/2012".