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AGENDA ITEM: Update on CalMHSA's Evaluation of the PEI Statewide Projects

ENCLOSURES:

- CalMHSA Statewide Evaluation Experts Team (SEE) Charter
- CalMHSA Statewide Evaluation Experts Team (SEE) Roster
- Power Point: California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) Update on Evaluation of Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Projects

OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM:

Issue:

The Committee will be provided an update regarding the evaluation of the Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) projects and the role including activities of the Statewide Evaluation Experts Team (SEE Team) that the California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) recently launched.

The Committee will be informed of the goals, objectives and process including all components of the evaluation approach to determine to what extent and how the strategies of PEI Statewide Projects are effective in:

- Preventing Suicides
- Improving Student Mental Health
- Reducing Mental Health Stigma and Discrimination

Background:

The PEI Statewide Projects were the result of joint recommendations regarding PEI that were formulated by the MHSOAC, DMH, CMHDA and CMHPC. The consensus was that statewide projects could provide a valuable infrastructure, implement prevention and early intervention on a larger scale, provide continuity across the State on PEI-related principles and services, focus learning and best practices, provide statewide prevention and early intervention for underserved populations, and offer valuable support for county and other local efforts.

The California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) was formulated as a joint power authority (JPA) of California counties and is focused on the delivery of California mental health projects and programs. Member counties jointly develop, fund and implement mental health services, projects, and educational programs at the state, regional and local levels.

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Background (continued):

Both DMH and MHSOAC provide oversight to CalMHSA pursuant to an agreement to develop and implement PEI programs, on a statewide or regional basis that conform with the Guidelines for PEI Statewide Programs, issued by the MHSOAC that include the three Statewide Projects: suicide prevention, student mental health initiative and reducing stigma and discrimination related to mental illness funded through the MHSA.

The presentation at the May 23rd meeting will provide an update of the evaluation of the three Statewide Projects.