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X ACTION REQUIRED

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AGENDA ITEM: Delegate Approval Authority to MHSOAC Staff

ENCLOSURES:

- DMH Information Notice: 08-37: Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Funds For Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Statewide Projects

OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM:

ISSUE

1. MHSOAC Staff request that the MHSOAC delegate authority to Staff to approve PEI Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building funding requests from Counties (see enclosed Information Notice 08-37).
2. MHSOAC Staff request that the MHSOAC delegate authority to Staff to approve additional PEI and Innovation Funding Requests from counties which already have approved PEI and Innovation Plans.

BACKGROUND

Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 5830(b) and 5892(a) authorize the MHSOAC to approve funding for counties' Innovation Component and PEI Component.

MHSOAC has previously delegated to staff the authority to approve PEI Community Program Planning requests for Innovation and PEI. The PEI Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (PEI Training and TA) funding requests are very similar to the PEI Community Program Planning requests in that requirements for the PEI Training and TA request are very brief and limited in scope. The total amount of funds for the TA is \$6 million per year for four years for a total of \$24 million.

Consistent with MHSOAC's intent to be good stewards of MHSA funds and to get funds to counties in a timely and efficient manner, Staff request authority to approve additional PEI and Innovation funds to counties which already have approved Plans. A current example of this additional funding is annual updates. Delegating approval authority to staff for additional PEI and Innovation funding requests from counties which have approved PEI and Innovation Plans allows the counties to access funds in a timely manner and ensures continuation of programs.

Proposed Motions:

- 1. The Commission delegates to MHSOAC Staff authority to approve county requests for PEI Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building funds.**
- 2. The Commission delegates to MHSOAC Staff authority to approve county requests for additional PEI funds from counties which already have approved PEI Plans and to approve county requests for additional Innovation funding from counties which already have approved Innovation Plans.**