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AGENDA ITEM: Cultural Competence Training**ENCLOSURES: • None****OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM: A PowerPoint presentation will be provided at the meeting**

Issue:

One of the outcomes of the 2009 Cultural and Linguistic Competence Committee (CLCC) Charter includes providing cultural and linguistic competence training to the MHSOAC.

Background:

In February 2008, the CLCC developed the CLCC Workplan. One of the primary roles is to assist the MHSOAC in creating accountable mechanisms for reducing disparities. This includes educating the Commissioners on racial and ethnic disparities in the mental health system.

In April 2009, the MHSOAC adopted the CLCC 2009 Charter. Outcome Number 2 of Charter directs the CLCC to arrange for cultural and linguistic competence training to the MHSOAC and staff. The CLCC spent portions of several committee meetings to develop this training so that it would be most relevant to the Commission. Discussions that took place at the committee indicate that a periodic training would be advantageous to the MHSOAC in order to build on the previous baseline of information. The CLCC may request that it provide quarterly training to the MHSOAC to help accomplish this outcome.

Purpose:

The training will include the following components:

- Introduction
- A PowerPoint presentation on racial, ethnic, cultural and linguistic disparities
- A short video on the Native American perspective on mental health
- A brief presentation by Janet King, Native American Health Center, Oakland, CA
- Questions and Answers