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AGENDA ITEM: Status Update on Implementation of Recommendations of the MHSOAC Report on Co-Occurring Disorders adopted by the Commission on November 29, 2008

ENCLOSURES: Status Update MHSOAC Report on Co-Occurring Disorder (COD) (June 9, 2011)

OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM: None

Issue:

The purpose of this agenda item and enclosed document is to provide an update on the status of implementation of the recommendations of the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) Report on Co-Occurring Disorders adopted by the Commission on November 20, 2008.

Background:

In November 2007, the MHSOAC authorized a 19-member Workgroup on Co-occurring Disorders (COD). The MHSOAC charged the COD Workgroup with developing comprehensive recommendations to address the needs of individuals with co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse. The COD Workgroup, which met from November 2007 through June 2008, heard briefings by state leaders and experts on the status of the treatment of co-occurring disorders in California. A report was developed which summarized the COD Workgroup's key findings and recommendations to improve the capacity of state and county policy makers and program administrators to address the needs of individuals with co-occurring disorders under the Mental Health Services Act.

The enclosed document and chart provides the enumerated recommendations from the COD Report. The chart also includes an analysis of each recommendation, with possible action taken or to be taken. As of this analysis, 44, or 80% of the 55 recommendations are complete. The remaining recommendations would require long-term action by the Commission.