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DATE OF MEETING: 5/26/11

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**AGENDA ITEM:**      **Client and Family Leadership Committee Presentation of Draft Transformation Policy Paper to the MHSOAC for Second Read**

**ENCLOSURES:**      • Draft Policy Paper entitled, “Transformation of the Mental Health System through Client and Family Leadership”

**OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM:** The PowerPoint presentation handout will be available at the MHSOAC meeting.

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**Issue**

At the March 24, 2011, Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) meeting, Commissioner Eduardo Vega, Client and Family Leadership Committee (CFLC) Chair, presented to the Commission for its “first read”, a draft of the CFLC’s Transformation Policy Paper entitled “Transformation of the Mental Health System through Client and Family Leadership”. At the May 26, 2011 meeting, Commissioner Vega will present a revised draft of this policy paper for a “second read” and adoption by the Commission.

**Background**

At the July 2010 MHSOAC meeting, Commissioner Vega provided a PowerPoint presentation to Commissioners, staff and others regarding client and family advocacy, perspective, history and priorities, with emphasis on the client and family role in transforming the mental health system through the Mental Health Services Act. This PowerPoint was titled, “The California Mental Health Services Act: Client-Driven, Family-Focused Wellness Transformation.”

Based on the Commission’s interest in the subject presented, then-MHSOAC Chair, Andrew Poat, requested Commissioner Vega to direct the CFLC to prepare a policy paper on Client and Family Driven Transformation. The CFLC spent the remainder of 2010 and the first few months of 2011 working on this paper for the Commission. At the March 24, 2011, meeting Commissioner Vega presented the draft Transformation Policy Paper for a “first read”. Following that presentation comments were taken from Commissioners and the public, and further opportunities and timelines for public input were established. The CFLC continued to meet and they along with staff reviewed all suggestions and comments in preparing the policy paper for the “second read” and adoption by the Commission.

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**Proposed Motion:**

The MHSOAC adopts the Client and Family Leadership Committee policy paper entitled, "Transformation of the Mental Health System through Client and Family Leadership."