

MHSOAC Context for CLAS Standards Presentation

- How do Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) Standards apply to the work of the MHSOAC?
 - The Cultural and Linguistic Competence Committee’s (CLCC) 2011 Charter requires that the CLCC develop, produce and conduct annual cultural and linguistic competence training for the MHSOAC and staff
 - CLAS are federal requirements and recommendations for federally funded health services
 - Public mental health services in California are funded through blended and braided funds (including Federal) - hard to maintain different standards for different funding sources
 - DMH developed Cultural Competence Plan Requirements (DMH Information Notice: (10-02 and 10-17) based on CLAS