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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT

DRAFT 2010 – 2011 UPDATE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

Mendocino County is in the process of transforming its mental health system to ensure that accessible, quality, and efficient services are delivered in a manner to achieve optimal outcomes for its clients and their families. The Mendocino County Mental Health Branch has released a draft update of the Community Services and Supports component of its 2010 – 2011 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Plan to facilitate this system transformation and to improve services to meet the needs of adults and older adults with Serious Mental Illness and children and youth with a Serious Emotional Disturbance.

The draft update of the 2010 – 2011 MHSA Plan is available for public review and comment at the reception windows of County Mental Health Center Lobby in Ukiah at 860 N. Bush Street; Willits Integrated Services Center, Mental Health Services Reception at 221 Lenore Street B; and Fort Bragg Mental Health Clinic 790 B South Franklin Street; or online at <http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/hhsa/mhsa.htm>. Hard copies will be mailed upon request.

The 30-day public review and comment period is from January 5, 2011 through February 3, 2011. Written comments can be sent to Jennifer Kennedy, MHSA Coordinator, Mendocino County Mental Health Branch, 860 N. Bush Street, Ukiah, CA 95482 or via email to kennedyj@co.mendocino.ca.us.

Oral and written comments will also be accepted at a public meeting of the Mental Health Board scheduled for 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at Mendocino County Social Services, CalWORKs Job Services, Mendocino Conference Room, 631 S. Orchard Street, Ukiah, CA 95482. All members of the public are invited to attend.

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