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TO:

County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators

Alcohol and Drug Program Providers ADP HCR IT Committee Members

SUBJECT:

Alcohol and Drug Program Health Care Reform Information Technology

Committee (ADP HCR IT Committee)

Health Information Exchange (HIE) Standards Electronic Health Records (EHR) Standards

The Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) convened the ADP HCR IT Committee from July 2010 to August 2011. The members of the committee include ADP, the Department of Health Care Services, Department of Mental Health, Office of Health Information Integrity, Office of Systems Integration, University of California Los Angeles and various counties, and providers. The purpose of the committee is to ensure electronic health care software packages used by counties and providers are consistent with Health Care Reform by defining the Information Technology (IT) standards for participation in Heath Care Exchange to meet the 2014 deadline.

Under Health Care Reform, states, counties, and health care providers will maintain electronic health records (EHRs) that will be used for reporting outcomes, patient care, and submitting claims. The ADP HCR IT Committee recommends the following standards:

- Health Information Exchange (HIE) Standards:
 The HIE standards provided by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC). Information can be found at www.healthit.hhs.gov. ADP will stay apprised of ONC as draft standards and updates come out and provide feedback and recommendations at that time.
- Electronic Health Record (EHR) Standards:
 The Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology (CCHIT)
 Certified 2011 Behavioral health EHR Certification Criteria provided these standards are implemented in compliance with 42 CFR Part 2. Information can be found at www.cchit.org.

