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From: Daryl Plevy, Deputy Director, Community Services and Managed Care

Re: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH)

Expedited Primary Adult Care Program (PAC) Application Processing for State Psychiatric

Hospitals' Patients

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The Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) is pleased to provide the attached notice about the new Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) developed with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Primary Adult Care (PAC) Program for expediting PAC applications for consumers being discharged from a State psychiatric hospital. This SOP formalizes uniform procedures that will assist patients leaving state psychiatric hospitals with access to Public Mental Health Services (PMHS), medical services and medications as soon as possible upon release.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Marian Bland, Director, Office of Special Needs Populations, Mental Hygiene Administration at (410) 724-3242. Thank you.