OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTIVES & INFORMATIONAL LETTERS

• 87 INF – 005 Interagency Agreement Between DSS & OMH on Discharge Planning

Purpose:

To inform the local districts about the Interagency Agreement between the Department of Social Services and the Office of Mental Health (OMH) on Discharge Planning for persons about to be discharged or released from state operated psychiatric facilities. A copy of this Agreement is attached to this release

• 88 INF – 002 Interagency Agreement with Department of Mental Health on Discharge Planning

Purpose;

The purpose of this release is to clarify two issues which have been raised by state psychiatric facility staff regarding the Interagency Agreement between the Department and the Office of Mental Health (OMH) on Discharge Planning. A copy of this Agreement was sent to the districts on January 23, 1987 with 87 INF-5.

• 90 INF- 016 Mental Health Evaluation for Involuntary Clients

Purpose:

The purpose of this release is to clarify state policy regarding the completion of mental health assessments for certain Protective Services for Adults (PSA) clients.

• 92 INF – 05 OMH Guidelines for Community Hospitals with Psychiatric Units

Purpose;

In July of 1990, the State Office of Mental Health (OMH) issued Geriatric Admission Guidelines which were intended to be used by State operated psychiatric centers. The stated purpose of the guidelines was to assure that elderly individuals admitted to these State operated centers were seriously mentally ill and in need of psychiatric treatment, had been adequately prescreened to assure their appropriateness for inpatient psychiatric treatment, were medically stable and had been carefully considered for other appropriate treatment alternatives before placement in a State psychiatric center was made. The guidelines also represented a further attempt by OMH to prevent the admission to State operated psychiatric facilities of persons with a primary diagnosis of dementia and no coexisting mental illness, since these individuals are not considered seriously mentally ill.

• 98 OCFS INF – 005 Clarifying the Role and Usage of the Mental Health Evaluation Instrument

Purpose:

The purpose of this release is to inform local districts of a mental health evaluation referral instrument which has been developed in order to assist Protective Services for Adults (PSA) caseworkers in obtaining mental health evaluations for their clients.

Memorandum of Understanding Between DSS & OMH Regarding Financial Management for ICM Clients

Purpose:

The purpose of this correspondence is to advise you of an agreement we have reached regarding the provision of financial management services, including acting as a representative payee, for clients being served by the State Office of Mental Health's (OMH) Intensive Case Management (ICM) Program. This agreement recognizes that the provision of financial management services is not the sole responsibility of one agency and that these services should be provided in a manner which, to the furthest extent possible, assures continuity of service for these clients.