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MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES

DATE: June 6, 2023

TO: Alameda County Behavioral Health (ACBH) Providers

FROM: Kate Jones, RN, MS, MSN/Director, Adult & Older Adult System of Care

SUBJECT: ANSA and Program Coverage Update

Dear Adult/Older Adult Providers:

I am pleased to announce that after several months of review, contact with the Department of Health Care Services, and a provider survey, the Adult & Older Adult System of Care (AOASOC) has opted to cease requiring the completion of the Adult Needs and Strengths Assessment (ANSA) for all beneficiaries 25 and older on July 1, 2023. Please note the CANS continues to be a requirement for any provider serving youth 24 and under.

The AOASOC will reach out, soon, seeking both provider and community volunteers to participate in an iterative process to find a tool that seeks feedback on receiving services and explore how the system of care will use the tool. We intend to implement the new tool at the beginning of the '24-'25 fiscal year.

Lastly, as many of you know, Jennifer Mullane is transitioning to a new role with Solano County. The following individuals will cover the programs listed below as we work to fill the Associate Director position starting June 12<sup>th</sup>:

Kate Jones (with Renee Renteria): In Home Outreach Teams (IHOT); FSPs: CHANGES, HEAT, Greater

Hope, STRIDES; Success At Generating Empowerment (SAGE)

Vanessa Baker: Community Conservatorship

**Henning Schulz**: Adult Recovery, Outreach, and Connection (AdROC)

