March 10, 2015

TO: HIV CARE PROGRAM (HCP) CONTRACTORS

SUBJECT: REQUIREMENTS FOR NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND SERVICE DELIVERY PLAN

I. Purpose
The purpose of this Management Memo is to provide an update to HCP contractors regarding the requirement for Needs Assessments and Service Delivery Plans.

II. Background
In February of 2014, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) released a joint statement announcing that Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Parts A and B Comprehensive Plans and CDC Jurisdictional HIV Prevention Plans will be due in September 2016. [http://hab.hrsa.gov/manageyourgrant/letterrwhaidsprogramcdchiv.pdf](http://hab.hrsa.gov/manageyourgrant/letterrwhaidsprogramcdchiv.pdf).

III. Policy
In June of 2014, OA informed contractors via email that because of this pending change in guidance by HRSA, OA was not requiring HCP contractors to complete a Needs Assessment and Service Delivery Plan. OA has decided to continue that policy through RW contract year 2015/16.

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 38077(b)(2), CDPH/OA contractors shall implement the above referenced modifications to the HIV Care Program Scope of Work.

OA will communicate with contractors all relevant information regarding statewide efforts when it is available. If you have questions, contact Marjorie Katz at Marjorie.Katz@cdph.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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