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December 16, 2011

Brigid Hanson, Assistant Secretary (A)
Office of Labor Relations
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Re: Implementation of Pilot Program for Alternative Treatment Option Models
CCPOA NG #26085
CDCR Log Number: 11-187

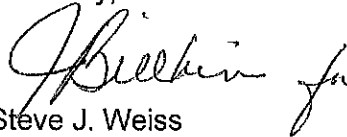
Dear Ms. Hanson:

We are in receipt of your notice letter dated December 5, 2011, and received in this office on December 7, 2011. This notice is regarding the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Division of Adult Institutions' (DAI) intent to implement a pilot program for alternative treatment option models, beginning with Corcoran's new ASU-EOP Hub treatment facility, effective January 1, 2012, through January 1, 2014.

This letter is to request a Meet and Confer over the impact of the above-mentioned change to the terms and conditions of employment of those Bargaining Unit 6 employees concerned.

Please advise Mike Lopez at (916) 372-6060, as to your earliest available meeting date.

Sincerely,


Steve J. Weiss
Chief of Labor
California Correctional
Peace Officers Association

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Enclosure

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December 5, 2011

VIA FAX & CERTIFIED MAIL # 7008 0150 0001 2283 4366

Mr. Steve Weiss, Chief of Labor
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RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF PILOT PROGRAM FOR ALTERNATIVE TREATMENT OPTION
MODELS (CDCR Log #11—187-0)

Dear Mr. Weiss:

Effective on or about January 1, 2012, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Division of Adult Institutions (DAI), intends to implement a pilot program for alternative treatment option models.

The identified site will begin with Corcoran's new ASU-EOP Hub treatment facility. This pilot program will remain in effect for a 24-month period, from January 1, 2012 through January 1, 2014, at which time it will lapse by operation of law or will be promulgated through the Administrative Procedure Act.

The purpose of the pilot program is to establish benchmarks to measure the viability of a CDCR modified variant of the New York Restart Chair, a chair used in group therapy and in which the Inmate/Patients (I/Ps) are secured with restraints, as an Alternative Treatment Option Model (ATOM) to the presently used Therapeutic Treatment Module (TTM), in terms of both security and clinical functionality, during the therapeutic session. These benchmarks will be developed into an assessment tool through collaboration between the Division of Correctional Health Care Services (DCHCS), and the Division of Adult Institutions (DAI).

The criteria for participation in this pilot program are that candidates will be currently housed in a participating Administrative Segregation Unit-Enhanced Outpatient Program (ASU-EOP) or Psychiatric Services Unit (PSU) program in a selected institution(s). Under no circumstances will I/Ps be evaluated, assessed, or chosen for transfer to a selected institution so they can take part in this pilot program. The Interdisciplinary Treatment Team (IDTT), which includes custody staff, will make decisions about whether an I/P should be excluded from the ATOM group. The ATOM will be piloted using several different types of group activities, e.g., writing, reading, or tactile exercises.

The purpose is to provide I/Ps with a more therapeutic environment during group and individual counseling sessions that provides more direct, open contact with the clinician as well as the other group participants, while maintaining a safe environment for all. Staff assigned to place I/P's into and out of the ATOM chair shall be trained in the use of the ATOM chair prior to being required to operate the chair.

Mr. Steve Weiss

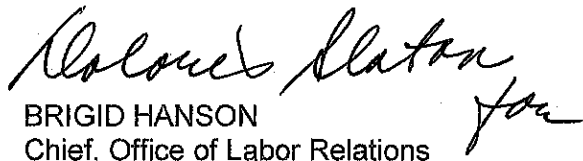
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This pilot project will remain in effect through January 1, 2014. Data will be collected along the way, including incidents and safety issues associated with both types of treatment models; program participation; and I/P, clinician, and custody satisfaction with the two types of treatment models.

If you believe this implementation creates impact to BU 6 members within scope of bargaining that is not covered by the BU 6 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), please have your assigned staff person contact Dolores Slaton, Labor Relations Manager, at (916) 327-3405, within ten (10) business days from the date of this notice to identify available dates to meet. It would be extremely helpful, likely to both parties, if the California Correctional Peace Officer Association (CCPOA) would outline the areas of concern it would like to discuss. We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

In providing this notice, CDCR does not represent that this implementation is within the scope of bargaining or has any impact to the members of BU 6.

Respectfully yours,



BRIGID HANSON
Chief, Office of Labor Relations
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Enclosures:

cc: Terri McDonald, Director (A), Division of Adult Services
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