

## Emergency Statement

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) authorizes the State Department of Mental Health (DMH) to adopt regulations necessary to implement the MHSA. Welfare and Institutions Section 5898, states in part: ..” For the purpose of the Administrative Procedure Act, the adoption of regulations in 2005, shall be deemed an emergency and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, or general welfare. These regulations shall not be subject to the review and approval of the Office of Administrative Law and shall not be subject to automatic repeal until final regulations take effect.”