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Title 2: Administration, Title 5: Education, Title 9: Rehabilitative and Developmental Services,
Title 15: Crime Prevention and Corrections,
Title 16: Professional and Vocational Regulations, and Title 22: Social Security

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and Regulation Changes through February 3, 2006)

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Effective Dates of Legislation

All California legislative enactments in 2005 are effective January 1, 2006, unless indicated otherwise.

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PREFACE

The California Department of Mental Health is pleased to present the 2006 edition of the *California Department of Mental Health Laws and Regulations*. Its purpose is to provide a convenient resource for the government and private sectors, mental health professionals, attorneys, clients, advocates, and the general public to identify California's mental health statutes and regulations.

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