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17	V.	ON DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITAL TRANSFERS
18	GAVIN NEWSOM, et al.,	Judge: Hon. Kimberly J. Mueller
19	Defendants.	sudge. Then, Killberry S. Wideher
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21	INTROI	DUCTION
22	On November 19, 2020, the Court directed the parties to brief whether "the court [can or	
23	should] presume cognizable harm to class memb	ers whose transfer to necessary inpatient care is
24	delayed beyond Program Guide timelines and for reasons outside the court-approved exceptions to	
25	those timelines." ECF No. 6961.	
26	The court need not presume cognizable harm. There is ample evidence of cognizable harm	
27	from delays in inpatient care. The Court may inf	fer harm to patients from the undisputed facts
28	regarding the operation of the CDCR mental hea	1
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1 testified that inpatient psychiatric hospital care, both acute and intermediate, is reserved for the 2 most acutely ill patients. They have testified that these patients require 24-hour, 7-day a week care 3 that can only be delivered in the inpatient programs. While a patient waits to be transferred to 4 inpatient care, Defendants' clinicians review the patient's case regularly, and these clinicians 5 rescind the referrals for patients whose conditions have improved. A patient's continued presence 6 on a waiting list therefore demonstrates the professional judgment of Defendants' clinicians that 7 inpatient care remains necessary. The only reasonable inference from these undisputed facts is 8 that delays in inpatient care harm patients. In addition to this undisputed evidence, Plaintiffs have 9 presented powerful evidence that patients have been actually harmed by the delays at issue here. 10 Dr. Stewart's October 23, 2020 testimony and his November 13, 2020 declaration demonstrate 11 harm to patients currently waiting for inpatient care.

The applicable legal standard under the Eighth Amendment recognizes not only harms that have already injured the plaintiffs, but also conditions that expose plaintiffs to substantial risks of serious harms in the future. A defendant who exposes plaintiffs to such risks cannot evade Eighth Amendment liability based on the lucky chance that the harm has not yet occurred. The undisputed evidence here shows that a referral to inpatient care, whether acute or intermediate, cannot be delayed without exposing the patient to a substantial risk of serious harm.

In short, the Court need not rely on any legal presumption of harm. Instead the Court
must draw the only possible inference from the undisputed evidence, which is that patients are
harmed by delays in access to necessary inpatient care. In addition, the Court should credit Dr.
Stewart's testimony of actual harm suffered by patients whose access to inpatient care at DSH has
been delayed for months.

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#### LEGAL STANDARD

The Court's question uses the term "cognizable harm." The legal standard for cognizable
 harm under the Eighth Amendment recognizes both harms that the plaintiff has already suffered,
 as well as future harms that may arise from conditions to which the defendants expose the
 plaintiff. *Helling v. McKinney*, 509 U.S. 25, 33 (1993). In *Helling*, the Nevada prison authorities
 argued for a narrower view of the Eighth Amendment, under which there would be no protection
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against "prison conditions that merely threaten to cause health problems in the future, no matter
how grave and imminent the threat." *Id.* at 32-33. The Supreme Court rejected Nevada's
argument, holding that the Eighth Amendment protects incarcerated persons not only from current
harm, but also from likely harms that would not "occur immediately," and that "might not affect
all of those exposed." *Id.* at 33. The *Helling* Court cited with approval lower court decisions
which "recognized that a remedy for unsafe conditions need not await a tragic event." *Id.* at 3334.

8 One year later, in Farmer v. Brennan, 511 U.S. 825 (1994), the Court again addressed an 9 Eighth Amendment claim based on a "failure to prevent harm." Id. at 834. Again, the Court held 10 that the cognizable harms include not only actual harm but also "a substantial risk of serious harm." Id. at 842. In describing the test for deliberate indifference under the Eighth Amendment, 11 12 the Court rejected a requirement that the plaintiff already have suffered actual harm: "Under the 13 test we adopt today, an Eighth Amendment claimant need not show that a prison official acted or 14 failed to act believing that harm actually would befall an inmate; it is enough that the official acted or failed to act despite his knowledge of a substantial risk of serious harm." Id. The Court relied 15 16 on Helling to reject the idea that the Eighth Amendment required a showing that the defendant 17 knew that a specific incarcerated person would be harmed. Instead, the Court re-affirmed 18 *Helling*'s focus on whether the conditions at issue posed a "risk of serious damage to [the 19 incarcerated person's] future health."" Id. at 843 (quoting Helling, 509 U.S. at 35). The Court 20held that the risk need not be "personal to" a particular incarcerated person, but could be one that 21 "all prisoners in his situation face." Id. And, Farmer reaffirmed Helling's holding that the 22 incarcerated plaintiff need not wait for the injury to occur before securing an injunction against the 23 life-threatening conditions. Id. at 845.

- The Supreme Court revisited the question of cognizable harms in this case, in affirming the three-judge court overcrowding relief. *Brown v. Plata*, 563 U.S. 493 (2011). The Court held that in this "systemwide" case, the cognizable harms from delays in care include the "substantial risk of serious harm" that result, not just individual instances of actual harm. *Id.* at 505 n. 3.
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#### ARGUMENT

2 From the beginning of this case, the Court has not presumed harm from delayed access to 3 care, but rather has found harm based on overwhelming evidence. This was the finding after the 4 1994 trial: "The evidence also demonstrates that inmates have in fact suffered significant harm as 5 a result of those deficiencies; seriously mentally ill inmates have languished for months, or even 6 years, without access to necessary care. They suffer from severe hallucinations, they decompen-7 sate into catatonic states, and they suffer the other sequela to untreated mental disease." Coleman 8 v. Wilson, 912 F. Supp. 1282, 1316 (E.D. Cal. 1995); see also id. at 1316 n. 48 ("In the matter at 9 bar members of the plaintiff class are not only facing substantial risks of serious injury, they are 10 experiencing actual harm as a result of the systemic deficiencies identified in this order.").

11 Plaintiffs are aware that Defendants have asked the Court to disregard the evidence of 12 harm to patients submitted in the Declaration of Dr. Pablo Stewart on November 13, 2020, ECF 13 No. 6948-1. See Defs' Rebuttal Brief, ECF No. 6960 at 4-5. Defendants' objections to Dr. 14 Stewart's declaration are unfounded, and the Court should consider the evidence of harm that Dr. 15 Stewart presents. See ECF No. 6948 at 11-12 (Plaintiffs' Closing Brief for October 23, 2020) 16 Evidentiary Hearing demonstrating that Defendants' objection to Dr. Stewart's patient review 17 testimony was groundless). But even if the Court chooses not to consider Dr. Stewart's recent 18 declaration, the Court may still rely on undisputed facts to find that delays in access to inpatient 19 care cause harms.

20 The evidence of harm from delays in access to inpatient psychiatric hospital treatment has 21 been reviewed in several evidentiary hearings over the past two decades. In June 2013, the Court 22 conducted a three and a half-day evidentiary hearing addressing deficiencies in intermediate 23 inpatient care at the DSH-run Salinas Valley Psychiatric Program. July 11, 2013 Order, ECF No. 24 4688. As part of their case in chief to show that CDCR and DSH were providing adequate 25 inpatient care, Defendants put on Senior Supervising Psychiatrist Dr. Troncoso. Galvan Decl. 26 Exh. A, 6/21/2013 RT 2:1-13. Dr. Troncoso testified that CDCR patients referred for intermediate 27 inpatient hospitalization are in fact "are some of the sickest people in the state hospital system, as 28 well as in CDCR." 6/21/2013 RT 19:18-20:1. "These patients present with major psychiatric [3657643.8] PLAINTIFFS' SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF FOLLOWING EVIDENTIARY HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITAL TRANSFERS

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1 disorders. For example, psychotic disorders, mood disorders and major anxiety disorders." 2 6/21/2013 RT 20:2-4. Dr. Troncoso testified that the intermediate care programs receive 3 incarcerated persons who are suicidal, and who are considered a serious risk to themselves or 4 others. 6/21/2013 RT 77:8-16. Dr. Troncoso explained that patients in an intermediate inpatient 5 program are seen by staff "almost continuously," with "eyes on these patients 24/7," and that the setting is "a therapeutic milieu in which the patient is immersed in." 6/21/2013 RT 11:15-12:4. 6 7 Dr. Troncoso testified that this immersion in a therapeutic environment starts at the first moment 8 that the patient arrives. 6/21/2013 RT 24:8-25:4. Dr. Troncoso testified that one of the needs 9 addressed at an inpatient unit is diagnostic clarification, which in some cases results in urgent 10 referrals to even higher levels of care. 6/21/2013 RT 23:5-21.

11 Dr. Troncoso's testimony regarding the importance of prompt access to inpatient care was 12 confirmed by Plaintiffs' expert, psychiatrist Pablo Stewart, who testified at the same June 2013 13 evidentiary hearing. Dr. Stewart testified that the DSH intermediate inpatient level of care was similar to an "intensive care unit" in a hospital, "where the sickest patients would go." Galvan 14 15 Decl. Exh. B, 6/19/2013 RT 26:23-25. "In a psychiatric system the inpatient hospital programs 16 are where the people that are suicidal, that due to mental illness are suicidal, a danger to others, 17 and are gravely disabled, such as not eating or drinking properly, and need to receive this level of 18 care." 6/19/2013 RT 27:1-5. Dr. Stewart's testimony was based on five facility tours in early 19 2013, including interviews with staff and patients. 6/19/2013 RT 27:7-28:15. Dr. Stewart was 20asked whether patients who needed an inpatient level of treatment could be adequately served with 21 a lower level of care. He explained why this is unsafe: "These are the most severely ill people in 22 the system. They're in the hospital where every moment of their waking hours should be 23 therapeutic in nature, from the time they get up to the time they go to bed." 6/19/2013 RT 49:23-24 50:2. The Court focused directly on the question at issue here, asking Dr. Stewart whether delay 25 causes harm: THE COURT: ... is it your view that any time somebody is sent to the hospital, 26

27 that's an indication of a requirement for urgent care and something must be done relatively early in order to ensure that something like the suicide doesn't occur?

### 28 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor.

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1	6/19/2013 RT 69:2-12. Dr. Stewart explained that inpatient treatment needs to begin
2	immediately-without days-long delays for custody reasons-in order to prevent harm to the
3	patient. See 6/19/2013 RT 72:23-73:16; 78:16-23.
4	Dr. Stewart's testimony in the October 23, 2020 trial confirms that patients are harmed by
5	delays in access to inpatient care:
6	Q Dr. Stewart, do patients who need inpatient care need to be given that level of care quickly?
7	A Yes.
8	Q Why is that?
9 10	A Well, delays cause harm and suffering and sometimes this harm can be irreparable And the literature is also clear that in the absence of progressive
11	treatment for psychotic symptoms, meaning if you allow a person to remain psychotic, it worsens the overall prognosis throughout the lifetime of the patient in
12	question. Those are the potentially irreparable harms. But there's also a harm that the longer a patient remains symptomatic and not receiving proper care, the longer
13	it will take for that person to be returned to a baseline of mental health stability, and during that time they're suffering harm.
14	10/23/2020 RT 258:20-259:13.
15	Dr. Stewart testified specifically about the ways in which inpatient transfer delays harm
16	patients. Like Dr. Troncoso in 2013 (see Galvan Decl. Exh. A, 6/21/2013 RT 23:5-21), Dr.
17	Stewart pointed to the importance of diagnostic clarification. A patient who is not getting better
18	through outpatient treatment will often have unclear or conflicting diagnoses, which must be
19	clarified quickly to allow the right kind of care to be delivered. Dr Stewart identified the need for
20	diagnostic clarification in the medical files of the 55 persons awaiting transfer to DSH at the time
21	of the October 2020 hearing:
22	Q So based on this chart and your review of the treatment plans, were you able to come to any initial opinions about this group of 55 individuals waiting for a
23	transfer?
24	A Yes. After my initial review, based on the data from this spreadsheet regarding diagnoses and medications, I noticed that there was some issues regarding
25	diagnoses. Sometimes there was several unspecified diagnoses. There was actually an example of a contradictory diagnosis and there was also multiple
26	diagnoses, all of which raised a question in my mind about the quality of care that a person's getting.
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28	Galvan Decl. Exh. C, 10/23/2020 RT 264:1-11. Dr. Stewart further testified that he saw many [3657643.8] 6
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examples of "persistent psychosis" among the persons waiting for access to DSH. 10/23/2020 RT 1 2 268:20-24. "Persistent psychosis" is "psychosis that continues to be present even in the face of 3 being treated with antipsychotic medication or other types of medication." Id. at 268:16-19. Dr. Stewart testified that delaying treatment for persistent psychosis causes permanent harm: 4 5 It is similar to like a seizure disorder. You don't allow patients to seize because the more they seize, the more they will seize. Same thing about psychiatric. The same thing has been studied with psychotic symptoms. The more you allow a patient to 6 be psychotic, the more they will be psychotic in the future and it will be harder to 7 address those persistent psychotic symptoms. 8 10/23/2020 RT 269:4-10. Defendants will say that they are preventing harm by treating the 9 patients in their current programs, such as in an EOP unit, crisis bed, or PIP. This misses the point 10 about the harm of "persistent psychosis." By definition a patient in persistent psychosis is not responding to the current treatment. That is why the clinician refers the patient to a higher level of 11 12 care which has available the tools for diagnostic clarification and 24-hour treatment modalities 13 that Dr. Troncoso, Dr. Stewart, as well as Dr. Warburton, testified about. See 10/23/2020 RT 14 43:11-19 (Dr. Warburton testifying that intermediate inpatient care is for "people [who] need certain types of consultation or long-term 24-hour care"). Patients who need intermediate 15 16 inpatient care due to persistent psychosis, or for other reasons such as the need for prompt 17 diagnostic clarification, cannot be treated safely in a mental health crisis bed, much less an 18 outpatient unit. 10/23/2020 RT 275:13-16 (Dr. Stewart: "I'm very familiar with mental health 19 crisis beds in correctional settings as well as inpatient care for the correctional settings, and a patient cannot receive inpatient equivalent care in a crisis bed."); see also 12/9/16 Order, ECF No. 20 21 5529 at 3 ("MHCBs are not ... a substitute for the inpatient care provided through DSH programs. 22 Referrals to DSH inpatient care represent the considered judgment of CDCR clinicians that those 23 inmate patients need a higher level of care than is available in CDCR's EOP and MHCB 24 programs. Thus, at most, defendants' representation suggests that efforts are being made to maintain an unacceptable status quo for these inmates while access to essential inpatient care is 25 delayed."). 26 27 Defendants have not disputed any of the facts above regarding the need for inpatient care,

28 most of which are confirmed by their own witnesses. The only reasonable inference from these 7

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undisputed facts is that people whose transfers to inpatient care are delayed face a substantial risk
 of serious harm that is cognizable based on the Eighth Amendment under the Supreme Court's
 holdings in *Brown v. Plata*, 563 U.S. 493, 505 n.3 (2011), *Farmer v. Brennan*, 511 U.S. 825
 (1994), and *Helling v. McKinney*, 509 U.S. 25, 33 (1993).

5 As is well-documented in the case, Coleman class members waiting to be transferred to DSH in the PIPs do not receive adequate inpatient mental health treatment. PIP patients often 6 7 receive less treatment than they do in an EOP program. See, e.g., Special Master Amended Report 8 re Status of Class Member Access to Inpatient Care, April 6, 2020, ECF No. 6579 at 29 ("CDCR's 9 PIPs are not providing adequate mental health care to patients, and the care that is being provided 10 has been further constricted by the COVID-19 pandemic."); Special Master's Monitoring Report on Inpatient Care Programs, Aug. 30, 2018, ECF No. 5894 at 27 ("Individual treatment was rarely 11 12 offered or provided across inpatient programs, and where provided was either woefully 13 inadequate, or not accurately tracked."); id. ("Across programs, structured and unstructured out-14 of-cell activities were found wanting during site visits."). Furthermore, not only do Defendants' 15 staffing rates in the PIPs consistently fall abysmally short of this Court's order to limit to ten 16 percent the vacancy rate among psychiatrists, they routinely are among the lowest in the system. 17 See Oct. 10, 2017 Order, ECF No. 5711 at 3; Defs.' Monthly Psychiatry Vacancy Report, ECF 18 No. 6970 at 5 (Nov. 30, 2020) (reporting filled psychiatry rates of only 62% and 69%, 19 respectively, at CMF PIP and SVSP PIP as of October 2020); see also Special Master's 20Monitoring Report on Inpatient Care Programs, Aug. 30, 2018, ECF No. 5894 at 17 ("[S]taffing 21 vacancies in multiple disciplines across programs remained a significant impairment to providing 22 appropriate care in inpatient settings.").

In addition to the testimonial evidence regarding inpatient care, the Court may look to
 undisputed facts regarding the ways in which the Defendants constantly review the waiting lists to
 remove people whose conditions improve while they are waiting for transfer. For example, on
 December 19, 2019, DSH Deputy Director of Hospital Strategic Planning and Implementation,
 Catherine Hendon, filed a declaration at ECF No. 6411-1, sponsoring a table that she identified as
 the Psychiatric Inpatient Timelines Report for the period from July 2017 through November 2019.
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1 ECF No. 6411-1 at 4. The table shows a monthly average of 46 referrals to DSH care. *Id.* Patients are only accepted for treatment at DSH hospitals after DSH reviews each of those 2 3 referrals "to ensure that clinical criteria are met." CDCR – DSH MOU dated 11/21/17, Defs' 4 Exhibit D-3, at D-3-5; see also Joint Policy and Procedure No. 3601 re: Referral, Admission, and 5 Movement, Defs' Exhibit D-4, at 6-7 (outlining clinical criterial utilized by DSH to determine if a patient qualifies for ICF admission). On average, 4 referrals, or 8.7%, were rescinded each month. 6 7 *Id.* Referrals may be rescinded only "[i]f a treatment team determines that it is clinically 8 appropriate." Mental Health Services Policy No. 12.11.2101, Defs' Exhibit D-5, at D-5-6. The 9 patient's continued presence on a waitlist therefore shows Defendants' clinical determination that 10 the patient needs 24-hour inpatient care.

11 In addition to these direct harms, the delays harm other patients who are waiting behind the 12 directly impacted patients. After an evidentiary hearing in January 2017 on inpatient delays at 13 DSH, this Court issued 26 pages of findings and conclusions. Order, March 24, 2017, ECF No. 14 5583. The Court reviewed earlier findings by the Special Master that inpatient transfer delays have a "resounding ripple effect" throughout the system. Id. at 5. Patients currently waiting for 15 16 DSH beds are occupying crisis beds, or CDCR PIP beds that are needed by other patients. 17 Currently, there is a waiting list of approximately 365 patients awaiting transfer to a PIP or DSH 18 inpatient program, many of whom have been waiting for hundreds of days. See Galvan Decl. Exh. 19 D (waitlist for ICF and APP level of care as of December 3, 2020); Eighth Joint Update on the 20 Work of the COVID-19 Task Force, Dec. 4, 2020, ECF No. 6974 at 7 n.2.

21 Some of the patients being harmed by transfers delays are occupying CDCR PIP beds 22 awaiting transfer to DSH hospital beds. By blocking these transfers Defendants harm not only the 23 patients waiting in the PIPs, but also the patients waiting in crisis beds or outpatient units for the 24 PIP beds that would be freed up by timely transfers to DSH. These are patients who have gone 25 through an extensive clinical and custodial review process to determine that they can move to a 26 "Least Restrictive Housing" (LRH) placement. See generally Joint Policy and Procedure No. 27 3601 re: Referral, Admission, and Movement, Defs' Exhibit D-4. LRH placements are a 28 "therapeutic milieu for treating patients who are clinically and custodially suitable for receiving [3657643.8] PLAINTIFFS' SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF FOLLOWING EVIDENTIARY HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF

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1	treatment in an environment that is less punitive and more therapeutic" and are clinically	
2	beneficial to the referred patients because they allow treatment outside the high custody, locked	
3	down environment of the CDCR PIPs. See Special Master's Amended Report on Status of	
4	Coleman Class Member Access to DSH, April 6, 2020, ECF No. 6579 at 15. Honoring the LRH	
5	placement also benefits other patients who are still deemed to need a higher security bed in the	
6	CDCR PIP. These beds are in short supply, and when they are needlessly occupied by a patient	
7	who can move to an LRH, the higher security patients behind them languish in crisis beds and	
8	other placements that cannot provide inpatient care. See Special Master's 2016 Monitoring Report	
9	on Inpatient Care Programs, May 25, 2016, ECF No. 5448 at 9 ("[W]hen DSH-Atascadero beds	
10	are not open to CDCR patients, there is a resounding ripple effect throughout all of the DSH	
11	inpatient programs which treat these patients, creating almost instantly a re-shuffling for other	
12	beds at other DSH programs, and at CDCR a back-up of patients awaiting DSH placement.").	
13	CONCLUSION	
14	The Court need not employ any legal presumption to find that delays in accessing inpatient	
15	care harm incarcerated persons in need of psychiatric hospitalization. The record in this case is	
16	replete with undisputed facts establishing the harms caused by delays in access to inpatient care.	
17	The only reasonable inference from these facts is that such delays cause cognizable harms to the	
18	Coleman class.	
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]	EOP	Enhanced Outpatient Program
	ICF	Intermediate Care Facility
]	LRH	Least Restrictive Housing
Ν	IHCB	Mental Health Crisis Bed
Ν	MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
	PIP	Psychiatric Inpatient Program
	SVSP	Salinas Valley State Prison
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6660	5/7/2020	Denying Motion for Reconsideration and Clarifying Ord Setting Evidentiary Hearing
6639	4/24/2020	DSH Transfers and Screening
6600	4/10/2020	Pandemic Measures, Opening Discovery on DSH Issues Setting Evidentiary Hearing
6572	4/3/2020	Show Cause Re DSH Transfers
5711	10/10/2017	Staffing
5583	3/24/2017	Inpatient Care Order After Evidentiary Hearing
5343	8/21/2015	Access to DSH Inpatient Beds
4688	7/11/2013	Inpatient Care, Order After Evidentiary Hearing
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I, Ernest Galvan, declare:

I am an attorney duly admitted to practice before this Court. I am a partner
 in the law firm of Rosen Bien Galvan & Grunfeld LLP, counsel of record for Plaintiffs. I
 have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein, and if called as a witness, I could
 competently so testify. I make this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' Supplemental Brief
 Following Evidentiary Hearing on Department of State Hospital Transfers.

Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of excerpts of the
transcript of a hearing in this case that occurred on June 21, 2013, which includes the
testimony of CDCR Senior Supervising Psychiatrist Dr. Troncoso.

3. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of excerpts of the
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testimony of Plaintiffs' expert, psychiatrist Dr. Pablo Stewart.

4. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a true and correct copy of excerpts of the
 transcript of a hearing in this case that occurred on October 23, 2020, which includes the
 testimonies of Plaintiffs' expert, psychiatrist Dr. Pablo Stewart and DSH Medical Director,
 Dr. Katherine Warburton.

5. Attached hereto as Exhibit D is a true and correct copy of an email and an
excerpt of an attached document that I received from counsel for CDCR on December 3,
2020, which shows the waitlist for intermediate and acute inpatient level of care.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America
that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration is executed at El Cerrito,
California this 7th day of December, 2020.

DECLARATION OF ERNEST GALVAN IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF FOLLOWING EVIDENTIARY HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITAL TRANSFERS

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# **EXHIBIT** A

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18	REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT
19	RE: EXCERPT OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING - DAY 3
20	JUNE 21ST, 2013
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25	Reported by: CATHERINE E.F. BODENE, CSR. No. 6926

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**1** 1 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUSSELL: 2 Q. Good morning, Dr. Troncoso. 3 A. Good morning, sir. 4 Q. Are you presently employed by the California 5 Department of State Hospitals? 6 7 A. I am. Q. What is your present position with DSH? 8 A. Senior supervising psychiatrist. 9 Q. Where do you work? 10 A. At DSH Salinas Valley. 11 Q. The Salinas Valley Psychiatric Program? 12 A. Yes. 13 How long in your current position have you been at 14 Ο. 15 Salinas Valley Psychiatric Program? 16 Well, I'm not sure I understand. I've been at Α. Salinas Valley Psychiatric Program for four and a half years. 17 Then I had a small hiatus of six weeks and then I returned. 18 19 So there was a period of time in which you left? Q. 20 Α. Correct. 21 When did you return? Q. 22 June 17th. Α. 23 Q. So that was on Monday? 24 Α. Correct. 25 Before I get into your position with the Department 0.

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comes in, or just patients who are going to be on your 1 2 workload? 3 THE WITNESS: The patients that are going to be on my workload. But if I'm the only psychiatrist there, I see 4 5 everybody. THE COURT: Okay. 6 7 THE COURT: As a supervising psychiatrist, do you see everybody or just get reports or what do you do? 8 THE WITNESS: No, I don't get reports. I follow -- I 9 10 have a caseload so I see those --11 THE COURT: Just that portion. 12 THE WITNESS: -- individually. 13 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you, sir. BY MR. RUSSELL: 14 <mark>3</mark> 15 Q. Do other staff also see the patient while they're on orientation status? 16 A. It's amazing, but there is a lot of staff that really 17 see the patient almost continuously. From the time they 18 19 arrive in our facility, from the MTAs that escort our patient 20 from the receiving and release unit to our unit, staff 21 interacts with that patient constantly. And by constantly, it seems like they have eyes on 22 23 these patients 24/7. I'm not the only person that sees the 24 patient. There is the registered nurse. There is the psychologist, the social worker who has a caseload, the 25

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1	recreational therapist and others, like psych-techs, for
2	example, that really have created a milieu, so to speak, a
3	therapeutic milieu in which the patient is immersed in. So
4	I'm not the only one.
5	Q. What is your understanding of the orientation status,
б	what the patient well, what is your understanding of the
7	orientation status?
8	A. It's a time period where they're given an opportunity
9	to adjust to a new program. They may have come from another
10	type of care in CDCR. And if they're, for example, EOP, they
11	go to our intermediate facility, and they need a period of
12	adjustment, so to speak.
13	We get to know the patient. They get to know us.
14	And it is almost like a handshaking type of encounter.
15	THE COURT: Except they're in handcuffs.
16	THE WITNESS: Except they're in handcuffs. But we
17	have a Level IV maximum security prison so we have that
18	component to sort of contend with.
19	BY MR. RUSSELL:
20	Q. Your Honor anticipated my question. The inmates
21	remain in cuffs during orientation status?
22	A. They do.
23	Q. They're in cuffs when outside of their cell, correct?
24	A. Only outside of their cell.
25	Q. During orientation status are patients prohibited

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1 something because I'm assuming that they're really sick 2 people. 3 Expecting them to fill out a form is, I would assume, frequently unreasonable -- not a reasonable expectation? 4 5 THE WITNESS: Well, they don't necessarily have to fill out a form, Your Honor. They can communicate to 6 7 somebody else that they need to be seen. 8 THE COURT: To see people who are, I gather -- I 9 mean, we've heard testimony that you see people who are 10 essentially catatonic. THE WITNESS: Well, I have to differ. We don't see 11 the people with catatonia. That is more of an acute 12 13 situation that has to be addressed at a higher level of 14 care. 15 THE COURT: Okay. Let's say you're a Level IV and 16 you're catatonic. Where do you go? Where do they send you? 17 THE WITNESS: You would go to Vacaville. <mark>4</mark> 18 THE COURT: Okay. Okay. So you have people who are 19 intermediate, but they're still quite sick. 20 Try and tell me, I know that there is no typical, but 21 as a general matter can you describe the nature of the problems that have sent the patient to your hospital? 22 23 THE WITNESS: Well, the problems that we have sent to our hospital are quite different. We have the maximum 24 security component, but we also have some of the sickest 25

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1	people in the state hospital system, as well as in CDCR.
2	These patients present with major psychiatric
3	disorders. For example, psychotic disorders, mood disorders
4	and major anxiety disorders. So we come across a wide
5	spectrum. They are usually medicated, some of them not.
6	And I'm sorry.
7	THE COURT: No. No. I was afraid that the lawyer
8	was about to interrupt you. I was trying to stop him.
9	Go ahead.
10	THE WITNESS: With those major categories, like take
11	schizophrenia for example, we see all types of
12	schizophrenia.
13	THE COURT: So you see people with schizophrenia.
14	They may not even recognize where they are?
15	THE WITNESS: In rare cases. If they are gravely
16	disabled, that may be so.
17	THE COURT: In any event, being schizophrenia
18	asking you, not telling you. I can hear myself as if I'm
19	telling you, and I don't mean to.
20	Whatever the level is, they are probably not able to
21	accurately evaluate where they are and what's happening to
22	them?
23	THE WITNESS: They're well aware of where they are
24	because we check for that on initial assessment. We also
25	make room for things that for instances where they are

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In other words, there's -- we can't get the right 1 2 treatment tailored to that patient, and they need a higher 3 level of care. So I only know of Vacaville by referral. We send those people to Vacaville. 4 5 5 Q. Who are the people that you keep that, as you say, have moderate acuity? 6 7 Again, can you explain what you mean by that and the 8 kind of patients that you are treating in layman's terms? A. The patients that we treat are patients that are 9 10 severely mentally ill. You know, if you look at a bell curve, there is going to be some outliers on the tail end of 11 12 the curve on both ends. That tail end of the curve going forward represents 13 14 people who are severely mentally ill and that need a higher 15 level of care. And sometimes they come from CDCR with that level of 16 care, and we recognize it early, we make a referral early. 17 When we work with them and we establish that their 18 19 diagnosis, for example, may not be the clearest, or they need 20 more attention because they're chronically suicidal, then we sends them to Vacaville. 21 Now, going back to the IDTT, the Interdisciplinary 22 Ο. 23 Treatment Team, they meet on a formal basis every 30 days, 24 correct? 25 A. Correct.

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1	Q. That's not the only time in which the patient is	
2	seen; is that correct?	
3	A. No. I gave you examples of when we see them outside	
4	of the IDT.	
5	Q. In addition to you as the staff psychiatrist, who	
6	else treats the patients?	
7	A. The whole milieu.	
<mark>6</mark> 8	Q. Can you describe what that milieu is?	
9	A. Well, a therapeutic environment. The environment	
10	that starts from the moment they're in reception receiving	
11	and release. There are two MTAs that bring them to our	
12	facility. That's the start of the therapeutic milieu.	
13	Then when they come to our unit, they are essentially	
14	immersed in a therapeutic environment. Every contact with	
15	them is therapeutic in nature, from the MTAs, from the	
16	nursing staff, the psych-techs, the med nurse, and so on so	
17	forth, even down to the cleaning people. That's part of the	
18	therapeutic milieu. They are immersed in that.	
19	So we have a multitude of people actually	
20	contributing to that milieu. Very therapeutic. You may not	
21	think that the guy that cleans the floor is therapeutic, but	
22	he cleans the cell of some of our patients, and he can tell	
23	us a lot of information about what they find in the cell that	
24	helps us direct our treatment.	
25	Or the cook, for example, has special diets that	

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1	these patients are on, whether for religious or medical	
2	reasons. The cook plays a part in all of this.	
3	So there is a hierarchy of people that contribute to	
4	this therapeutic milieu.	
5	Q. As part of the treatment that is offered by you as	
6	one of the staff psychiatrists, you mentioned that you see	
7	patients on an individual basis.	
8	Do you see them at their cell front?	
9	A. Sometimes.	
10	Q. When do you do that?	
11	A. Well, for example, maybe they don't want to come out	
12	for some reason, then it is either myself or the whole team	
13	that actually goes to the cell front and tries to encourage	
14	the patient to come out and meet with us.	
15	Q. Are there instances in which well, let me back up.	
16	Are you, as a staff psychiatrist, able to provide	
17	what you consider to be effective care when you meet with a	
18	patient at their cell front?	
19	A. It's not the most ideal of circumstances because	
20	there's a lack of confidentiality that goes with a cell front	
21	meeting, but it is sufficient enough to get an idea of where	
22	they are.	
23	Q. If you do not believe that is sufficient, what do you	
24	do?	
25	A. Then we ask them to come out again and repeatedly	

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1	Q. He was referred to the intermediate care program	
2	following that suicide attempt?	
3	A. I don't see that. I see a referral from Sacramento	
4	to the mental health crisis bed in San Quentin.	
5	Q. Then the next line?	
6	A. DSH Intermediate Care Program. Referral to the	
7	program was made.	
<mark>7</mark> 8	Q. You testified earlier about the kinds the acuity	
9	of the patients who come into the ICF program. Is it fair to	
10	say that after serious suicide attempts, inmates who are	
11	seriously suicidal is one type of inmate referred to your	
12	program?	
13	A. Yes.	
14	Q. That inmate might be considered a serious risk to	
15	himself or others?	
16	A. Yes.	
17	Q. After this suicide, while you were at the Salinas	
18	Valley Psychiatric Program, was there any discussion that you	
19	were privy to about changing the process of cuff status?	
20	A. No discussion.	
21	Q. Were any changes to the orientation status made?	
22	A. No.	
23	Q. Were any additional clinical monitoring obligations	
24	added to cuff status?	
25	A. No.	

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# EXHIBIT B

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1	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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4	BEFORE THE HONORABLE LAWRENCE K. KARLTON, SENIOR JUDGE
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б	RALPH COLEMAN, et al.,
7	Plaintiffs,
8	Vs. CASE NO. CIV. S-90-0520 LKK
9	EDMUND G. BROWN JR., et al.,
10	et al.,
11	Defendants.
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18	REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT
19	RE: EXCERPT OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING - Day 1
20	JUNE 19TH, 2013
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1	MR. NOLAN: Not unless the Court would like it Oh.
2	THE COURT: It is not your business.
3	MS. VOROUS: No. Defendants do not, Your Honor.
4	THE COURT: You may proceed, Mr. Nolan.
5	MR. NOLAN: Also I just want to point out that the
6	paragraphs in Dr. Stewart's declaration in the termination
7	proceedings that concern DSH are paragraphs 51 to 56, 377 to
8	391, 398 to 408, 411 to 451.
9	DIRECT EXAMINATION
10	BY MR. NOLAN:
11	Q. Dr. Stewart, your report discusses problems with
12	premature discharges from inpatient care at Department of
13	State Hospitals' programs and with the quality of care in DSH
14	hospital programs. Why are these serious problems?
15	A. Well, they're serious problems in that hospital-based
16	care in a given system is where the sickest patients go to
17	receive care.
18	THE COURT: Sixth?
19	THE WITNESS: Sickest.
20	Most impaired, Your Honor. Excuse me.
21	THE COURT: That's all right. I just didn't hear
22	you.
<mark>1</mark> 23	THE WITNESS: You can liken it to a medical hospital
24	where the sickest patients would go to something like the
25	intensive care unit.

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1	In a psychiatric system the inpatient hospital
2	programs are where the people that are suicidal, that due to
3	mental illness are suicidal, a danger to others, and are
4	gravely disabled, such as not eating or drinking properly,
5	and need to receive this level of care.
6	BY MR. NOLAN:
<mark>2</mark> 7	Q. In your report you discuss the problem of premature
8	returns, premature discharges from DSH hospitals.
9	How did you learn about this problem?
10	A. As you're aware, I did a number of tours of five
11	facilities; Salinas Valley, the State Prison Sacramento,
12	Lancaster, R.J. Donovan and San Quentin. In each one of
13	these facilities I toured and spent a lot of time in the
14	mental health crisis bed unit areas.
15	There, speaking with staff, the staff brought up to
16	me, when I asked about the patients that they were taking
17	care of in the mental health crisis bed units, that the staff
18	were complaining that many of these people had recently been
19	treated at the Department of State Hospital facilities,
20	either intermediate care facilities or acute facilities, and
21	had been sent back to the facility.
22	THE COURT: Sent back to?
23	THE WITNESS: To the state prison, Your Honor, from
24	the DSH. And that the clinicians found that these
25	individuals were in a similar psychiatric condition that they

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1	had when they were sent. So they were unable to be housed in
2	the general housing units, in the Ad. Seg. Units, et cetera.
3	So they had to house them, for their own safety, in the
4	mental health crisis bed units.
5	And then shortly thereafter, they were re-referred
6	back to the Department of State Hospital. And this
7	occurred this occurred in every mental health crisis bed
8	unit I toured in the five facilities that I mentioned.
9	Q. Doctor, did you interview and evaluate some
10	individuals who fall into this category of "Individuals
11	Prematurely Discharged"?
12	A. Yes. And then as part of my tour in the mental
13	health crisis bed, I did spend time and had these particular
14	patients pulled out. And I interviewed them, and I had the
15	opportunity to review their records also.
16	Q. Do you recall how many individuals you evaluated who
16 17	Q. Do you recall how many individuals you evaluated who were in this category of recently returned from Department of
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17	were in this category of recently returned from Department of
17 18	were in this category of recently returned from Department of State Hospitals and going back?
17 18 19	<pre>were in this category of recently returned from Department of State Hospitals and going back? A. In my tours that occurred at the end of January,</pre>
17 18 19 20	<pre>were in this category of recently returned from Department of State Hospitals and going back? A. In my tours that occurred at the end of January, beginning of February, there were six individuals who had</pre>
17 18 19 20 21	<pre>were in this category of recently returned from Department of State Hospitals and going back? A. In my tours that occurred at the end of January, beginning of February, there were six individuals who had recently been discharged from the state hospital, had been</pre>
17 18 19 20 21 22	<pre>were in this category of recently returned from Department of State Hospitals and going back? A. In my tours that occurred at the end of January, beginning of February, there were six individuals who had recently been discharged from the state hospital, had been returned to the sending institutions, and at the time at</pre>
17 18 19 20 21 22 23	<pre>were in this category of recently returned from Department of State Hospitals and going back? A. In my tours that occurred at the end of January, beginning of February, there were six individuals who had recently been discharged from the state hospital, had been returned to the sending institutions, and at the time at that time CDCR staff, not myself, but CDCR had determined</pre>

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1	So they were getting they confirmed they were
2	getting maybe five hours a week, which was later brought up
3	with both Dr. Brim and Dr. Badeaux's declaration and in their
4	deposition testimony.
5	Q. Doctor, I want to call your attention to the Exhibit
б	D in your binder. These are photographs that were attached
7	to your declaration, Docket 4381 at pages 245 through 247
8	I'm sorry through 250.
9	And it's appendix UU, VV and WW and XX, photographic
10	appendixes.
11	Does this capture what the rooms looked like when you
12	were touring?
13	A. Yes. The first two photos are of the permanent unit
14	and the last two are of the temporary unit. See, this is
15	exactly how they were. They were empty.
16	Sometimes when we go on tours, we take pictures of
17	the units, we have to move patients out for confidentiality
18	reasons. But there was no reason to do that in the pictures
19	because there was nobody getting any treatment.
<mark>3</mark> 20	Q. In your opinion, Doctor, is five hours a week of
21	therapeutic group activity sufficient for patients at the
22	intermediate level of care?
23	A. I want to go back to this. These are the most
24	severely ill people in the system. They're in the hospital
25	where every moment of their waking hours should be

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1	therapeutic in nature, from the time they get up to the time
2	they go to bed. And these people were getting around five
3	hours a week.
4	In the next lower level of care in the CDCR system,
5	which is EOP, the program guide calls for a minimum of ten
6	hours of treatment.
7	So this thing was all turned upside down. From the
8	lower level, from a referring level to the hospital where
9	you're supposed to get more care, they ended up getting less.
10	So to answer your question, five hours is very inadequate in
11	my opinion.
12	Q. Do you have an opinion about what level of treatment
13	should be provided in an intermediate inpatient care program?
14	A. I believe that, as I was saying, the entire day
15	should be therapeutic. People need to be out of their cells,
16	they need to be attending recreation or therapy groups,
17	meeting with clinicians, meeting with therapists, maybe even
18	just going to yard, these sorts of things.
19	So given that, you know, a fair estimate would be 40
20	hours a week of some sort of activity, including recreation,
21	including yard time.
22	Q. So tab E in the exhibit binder that I have given you
23	is a declaration previously filed by defendants in this case
24	in September of 2010. It was Docket 3913-3. The document is
25	a declaration by Victor Brewer.

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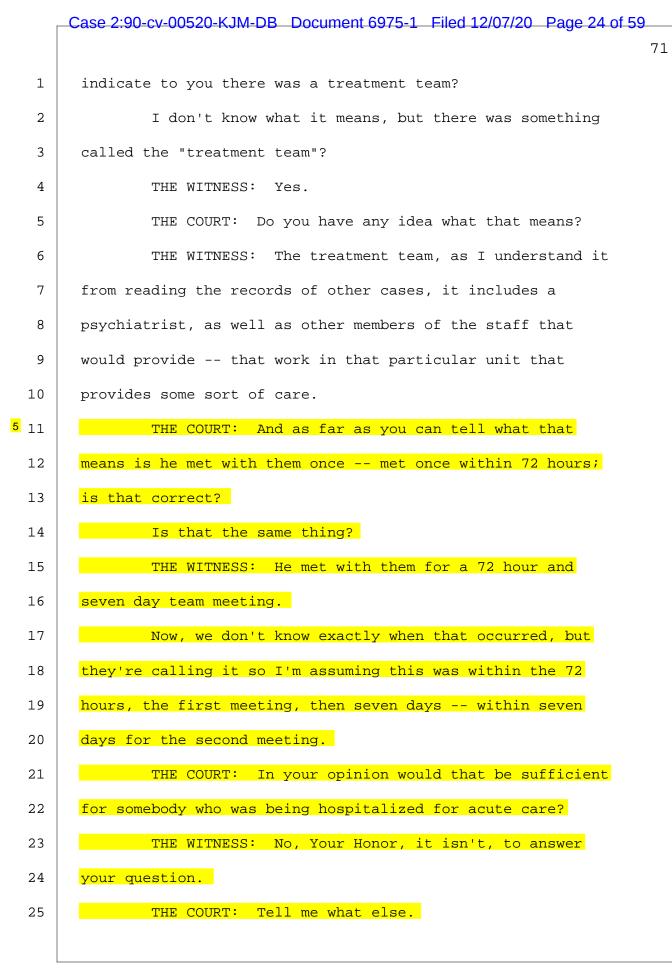
1	THE WITNESS: You're right, Your Honor.
<mark>4</mark> 2	THE COURT: Is it your view I'm asking you, not
3	telling you, I want to make clear, you're the expert, not
4	me is it your view that any time somebody is sent to the
5	hospital, that's an indication of a requirement for urgent
б	care and something must be done relatively early in order to
7	ensure that something like the suicide doesn't occur?
8	THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor.
9	THE COURT: Is that an ideal requisite or is that
10	something that is realistically what happens in hospitals?
11	THE WITNESS: I think it is very realistically what
12	happens in hospitals.
13	THE COURT: Other than prison hospitals?
14	All right. Thank you.
15	BY MS. VOROUS:
16	Q. Doctor, isn't it correct that you don't have any
17	knowledge what treatment that this inmate was receiving prior
18	to being cleared for programming?
19	A. What I do know is that for the three weeks there, the
20	only thing that was pointed out as far as treatment that he
21	received was the two groups, the one the night before he hung
22	himself and the one the morning before he hung himself.
23	Q. Doctor, would you look at page 9 of the suicide
24	report.
25	A. Yes.

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Please refer to the last paragraph on page 9 that 1 Ο. begins with the word "During" and continues on "the first two 2 3 weeks." If you look further down in that paragraph, isn't it 4 5 correct that at the very least he was seen by his treatment team for 72 hours and a seven day team meeting? 6 7 Α. That's what it says, yes. Doctor --8 Ο. 9 THE COURT: I'm sorry. I don't have any idea what 10 those words mean. Do those words mean -- (Reading:) 11 During his orientation period he was described as 12 pleasant and frequently asked staff for books. He 13 has been seen by his treatment team for 72 hours and 14 seven-day team meetings. (Reading concluded.) 15 16 Do you know what that means? 17 THE WITNESS: How I understand what that is, Your 18 Honor, is that within 72 hours the treatment team would meet 19 with the patient to have --20 THE COURT: So they would have one meeting? THE WITNESS: One meeting. Then have another meeting 21 22 at the end of seven days. 23 THE COURT: Excuse me, Miss Vorous. I'm just trying 24 to read and understand it. 25 He was seen by his treatment team. Doesn't that

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1	THE WITNESS: When a person first comes into the
2	hospital, they need to be met at the door almost. Once
3	they're processed and made sure that, you know, they have the
4	clothing and whatever, assigned to a room, they need to be
5	seen then for an initial assessment to make sure that they're
б	not at risk or what is going on with them or what kind of
7	meds, all these sort of things.
8	They need to be met initially by, at a minimum, a
9	psychiatrist and probably members of the nursing staff or
10	other members of the staff that are there so you can get an
11	idea.
12	And then once you have the person in the facility,
13	and you get some initial idea of what is going on, based on
14	what the initial eval included and reviewing the records,
15	then you may have a little more leisurely time to have a more
16	comprehensive team meeting.
17	So if they wish to initiate treatment right away,
18	when he comes in, which they should, then they want to wait
19	for three days to have a more comprehensive treatment
20	meeting, then I don't see anything wrong with that.
21	But they need to be seen immediately when they step
22	in the door, and the treatment needs to begin right then.
23	THE COURT: In an ideal situation that may be the
24	most desirable procedure, but you're not in an ideal
25	situation. You're in a prison situation, a prison hospital,

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1	but still a prison situation. Do you believe that by virtue
2	of that some other procedure would be acceptable?
3	THE WITNESS: Given that it is in a prison hospital,
4	Your Honor, no, I don't. Because what they basically
5	admitted to here is that for three days this guy was on his
6	own. And fortunately nothing bad happened during that
7	three-day period, but it wasn't because of anything the staff
8	did. They had no idea what was going on with this guy for
9	the first three days.
10	He needed in any hospital setting, be it a prison
11	hospital or at the university hospital, when the people come
12	into the room, come into the hospital, they're seen initially
13	so that the staff, especially the psychiatrist, has an idea
14	of what's going on with the person and can initiate a
15	treatment plan that is then subject to modification when they
16	see him more thoroughly, maybe a couple days later.
17	THE COURT: You may proceed, Miss Vorous.
18	BY MS. VOROUS:
19	Q. Dr. Stewart, I would like to clarify the record, if I
20	may.
21	The question that you were asked related to acute
22	care. The Salinas Valley Psychiatric Program is an
23	intermediate care facility, correct?
24	A. It is intermediate care. I was referring to
25	hospital-based care.

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1	A.	(Reading:)
2		The delay in transfer to the Department of State
3		Hospital Salinas Valley may have frustrated him, but
4		certainly the delay in his ability to program out of
5		his cell aggravated him. Inmate A had been
6		programming on the yard at State Prison Sacramento,
7		but when transported to DSH Salinas Valley, he
8		was placed alone in his cell and was not allowed to
9		program as he had at Sacramento.
10		(Reading concluded.)
11		Do you wish me to continue?
12	Q.	One more sentence.
13	A.	(Reading:)
14		This was compounded by the one week delay of the ICC.
15		(Reading concluded.)
<mark>6</mark> 16	Q.	So Doctor, in your opinion what would be an
17	appropr	riate time to start group treatment and out-of-cell
18	treatme	ent for this individual?
19	A.	I think after you have your initial assessment of him
20	and the	e initial treatment plan and whatever custody things
21	need to	o occur, they need to occur in that same time frame
22	simulta	aneously. And the treatment should begin, you know,
23	literal	ly the same day or the next day at the latest.
24		MR. NOLAN: Thank you, Doctor.
25		THE COURT: Further cross, ma'am?

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7	) Defendants. )	
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1	psychiatric facilities that take patients from the most
2	vulnerable institutions in our state, we just needed that time
3	to build up that response so that we could start safely
4	admitting people again.
5	Q Dr. Warburton, do you consider yourself a public health
6	expert?
7	A I am certainly more of one now than I was in March, but I
8	rely heavily on the public health experts that we have in our
9	own facilities as well as those at the California Department of
10	Public Health. I am a forensic psychiatrist.
11	Q Before getting into DSH's specific guidelines for transfer,
12	I'd like to talk a little bit just take a step back and talk
13	a little bit about the Coleman patients that DSH admits to its
14	care. Can you describe the criteria for Coleman patients that
15	are admitted to be treated at DSH?
16	A Well, it's ICF level of care, so things like psychotropic
17	medications, stabilization, development of coping skills. If
18	people need certain types of consultation or long term 24-hour
19	care, they come to us for ICF treatment.
20	Q So is this an acute level of care?
21	A No. Psychiatric patients within the Department of
22	Corrections who need acute level of care go to their crisis
23	beds and/or their acute level of care.
24	Q And are you currently involved in the process for
25	transferring inmates from the Department of Corrections during

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1	Dr. Stewart may state his opinion in response to questions in
2	that field.
3	MR. NOLAN: Thank you, Your Honor.
4	BY MR. NOLAN:
5	Q Dr. Stewart, what issues have you been asked to provide an
6	expert opinion about for today's hearing?
7	A I was asked to offer opinions about whether any of the 55
8	patients that are awaiting transfer to DSH facilities are
9	experiencing any clinical harm as well as are they receiving
10	adequate care during this waiting period?
11	Q Dr. Stewart, did you come to a opinion regarding these
12	issues?
13	A Yes. After my initial review, I came to the opinion that
14	all 55 certainly are seriously mentally ill, and I agree with
15	the CDCR clinicians that they all require inpatient treatment
16	and further opinions were that they're not receiving adequate
17	care during this waiting period and they are not receiving
18	equivalent care in their current situations as they would
19	receive in a DSH facility.
20	Q Dr. Stewart, do patients who need inpatient care need to be
21	given that level of care quickly?
22	A Yes.
23	Q Why is that?
24	A Well, delays cause harm and suffering and sometimes this
25	harm can be irreparable. For example, in the scientific

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1	literature or psychiatric literature, it's very clear that
2	delaying aggressive treatment for major depressive disorders
3	puts the patient at higher risk for developing Alzheimer's
4	disease sometime in the future. And the literature is also
5	clear that in the absence of progressive treatment for
6	psychotic symptoms, meaning if you allow a person to remain
7	psychotic, it worsens the overall prognosis throughout the
8	lifetime of the patient in question. Those are the potentially
9	irreparable harms. But there's also a harm that the longer a
10	patient remains symptomatic and not receiving proper care, the
11	longer it will take for that person to be returned to a
12	baseline of mental health stability, and during that time
13	they're suffering harm.

14 And the last thing I just want to mention on suffering harm 15 is that when you have a patient at a level of care that's not 16 able to adequately manage that patient, it's likely that that 17 person will have behavioral manifestations of the mental 18 illness, resulting in things like assaults, fights, throwing 19 urine and feces at guards and other patients as well as 20 increase in self-injurious behaviors, and these sorts of issues 21 put both the patient at risk for harm as well as the staff and 22 other patients.

Q Thank you, Dr. Stewart. Dr. Stewart, when somebody is
referred and accepted for inpatient treatment at a hospital,
how soon should they be moved?

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### 1 BY MR. NOLAN:

2	Q So based on this chart and your review of the treatment
3	plans, were you able to come to any initial opinions about this
4	group of 55 individuals waiting for a transfer?
5	A Yes. After my initial review, based on the data from this
6	spreadsheet regarding diagnoses and medications, I noticed that
7	there was some issues regarding diagnoses. Sometimes there was
8	several unspecified diagnoses. There was actually an example
9	of a contradictory diagnosis and there was also multiple
10	diagnoses, all of which raised a question in my mind about the
11	quality of care that a person's getting.
12	In addition, I looked at the medications and I found many
13	examples of very complex polypharmacy going on. Sometimes
14	polypharmacy is the right treatment for patients, but based on
15	this initial review, it just raised a question in my mind about
16	what else is going on with these patients when they're being
17	treated, for example, with two different antipsychotic
18	medications or just, you know, a lot of patients were on four

and five different medications, so it was those areas that I
looked at.

Q Dr. Stewart, if I could ask you what is the problem withunspecified diagnoses?

A Well, there's not a problem, per se, but an unspecified
diagnosis is -- say there's a whole list of psychotic
diagnoses, like schizophrenia, schizo-affective disorder. But

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1	are more generally or broadly exemplary of all the 55 patients
2	that are awaiting transfer.
3	Q And Dr. Stewart, can I ask you and how many examples did
4	you find?
5	A Well, I found a large number and I eventually got the
6	number down to 11 knowing that we're limited in our time to
7	present to the Court and that I felt were exemplary of the
8	overall cohort of 55 patients waiting.
9	Q And what documents did you review for those eleven?
10	A I asked for their medical records for two months prior to
11	their referral to DSH and up to the present time or the most
12	current records that were available, and I looked further at
13	them.
14	Q Dr. Stewart, what is persistent psychosis?
15	A Say that again, please.
16	Q What is persistent psychosis?
17	A It's psychosis that continues to be present even in the
18	face of being treated with antipsychotic medication or other
19	types of medication.
20	Q Did you see many examples of persistent psychosis among
21	the
22	A Yeah.
23	Q patients you looked at?
24	A Yes.
25	Q What is the danger from persistent for a patient from

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1	persistent psychosis?
2	A Well, as I mentioned earlier, untreated psychosis
3	contributes to a poorer prognosis overall in the lifetime of
4	the patient. It is similar to like a seizure disorder. You
5	don't allow patients to seize because the more they seize, the
6	more they will seize. Same thing about psychiatric. The same
7	thing has been studied with psychotic symptoms. The more you
8	allow a patient to be psychotic, the more they will be
9	psychotic in the future and it will be harder to address those
10	persistent psychotic symptoms.
11	Q And isn't an inpatient hospital the best place to address
12	persistent psychotic symptoms?
13	A In my opinion, based on my experience working in various
14	correctional systems and observing various correctional
15	systems, persistent psychosis is an indicator for the need of
16	inpatient hospitalization and close monitoring.
17	Q Okay. What else did you find in your more detailed review
18	of the eleven cases you selected?
19	A Well, again, there were antipsychotics; and yet, they
20	continued to have command auditory hallucinations that were
21	telling them to hurt themselves. I had cases where people were
22	being treated with multiple medications and they had persistent
23	symptoms; not just auditory hallucinations but persistent
24	suicidal ideation, they had persistent self-injurious behaviors
25	and to the extent that some of the patients that I reviewed

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1	Q Okay. In the Bates numbering.
2	So let me just go to the page treatment plan. So in
3	this section on, you know, higher-level-of-care considerations
4	do you see under the second paragraph where it says, "Summarize
5	treatment modifications," the last three sentences there where
6	it says, "Because it is not clear that patient will transfer to
7	the PIP-ICF any time soon, patient is also engaged in a plan to
8	meet the goals of ICF hospitalization within the next four
9	weeks in MHCB." Do you remember reading that?
10	A Yes.
11	Q Dr. Stewart, is it possible for somebody to get receive
12	ICF care in a mental health crisis bed?
13	A No, it is not. I'm very familiar with mental health crisis
14	beds in correctional settings as well as inpatient care for the
15	correctional settings, and a patient cannot receive inpatient
16	equivalent care in a crisis bed.
17	Q What are the features of an inpatient setting that a mental
18	health crisis bed does not have?
19	A Well, it allows the patient to be part of the milieu that
20	the psychiatrist and the rest of the staff, nursing staff,
21	et cetera, can observe and monitor. This is especially
22	important for diagnostic clarification as well as we're doing
23	these hopefully we're doing these nuanced medication
24	monitoring in adding new medication or removing medication.
25	That can only happen in the inpatient setting. It really

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Subject:	RE: Coleman: Renewed Information Request Re Inpatient Transfers; Request for Two Prompt
	Transfers from CMF MHCB [IWOV-DMS.FID6429]
Attachments:	IRU Data Waitlist and Admissions 12.3.2020.pdf

Marc,

Please find attached point in time waitlist data, broken out by referred level of care. The last section includes a list of patients transferred externally over the past six months. Please note that this data is point in time and not validated between HCPOP and IRU, as is the practice more monthly court filings, and is provided on an expedited basis in order to give the parties as close to real time information as possible. Any discrepancies found in this data during the monthly validation process will be corrected prior to court filing. Please also note that some patients on the referred list may also be under consideration by their IDTTs for rescission. Finally, the ICF to ICF referral list should not be confused with an LRH referral list as not all patients on the ICF to ICF referral list are necessarily being referred to a less restrictive housing.

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Dear Marc,

I write in response to Plaintiffs' December 2, 2020, Email (12/2/20 Email) requesting two patients to immediately transfer to the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Level of Care (LOC). Specifically, Plaintiffs' request pertains to pertains to the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Level of Care (LOC). Specifically, Plaintiffs' request pertains to the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Level of Care (LOC). Specifically, Plaintiffs' request pertains to the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Level of Care (LOC). Specifically, Plaintiffs' request pertains to the Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) Level of Care (LOC). Specifically, Plaintiffs' request pertains to the Intermediate Care Facility (CMF) for several months. On December 3, 2020, CDCR reviewed case factors for both patients to assess appropriate LOC.

First, Ms. was referred to ICF LOC on October 29, 2020, due to the emergence of trauma-related symptoms. On December 2, 2020, CDCR rescinded the referral to ICF because of Ms. The proved progress and presentation with her symptoms. Specifically, Ms. The proved has refrained from self-harm behavior and she is able to resist suicide ideations by identifying protective factors. Ms. The proved also presents herself as intact, motivated, and optimally ready for a trauma psychotherapy in a less restrictive level of care. Currently, the rescission note is pending as CMF's MHCB has been placed on quarantine since November 25, 2020, and is expected to come off quarantine status on December 9, 2020.

Second, Mr. was referred to ICF on July 23, 2020. There were no ICF beds available at CMF PIP, and patients were admitted to available ICF beds based on emergency transfer requests, facility priority moves, and local admissions by waitlist date. On November 16, 2020, a bed became available but further analysis was required for potential safety concerns. CDCR decided to place Mr. was endorsed to ICF and a COVID test was ordered. On November 19, 2020, Mr. was endorsed to ICF and a COVID test was ordered. On November 25, 2020, Mr. was placed on quarantine that same day. Mr. was should transfer to ICF LOC shortly after the quarantine status is lifted.

CDCR will follow-up with Plaintiffs' remaining requests in the immediate future. If you have any questions regarding Ms.

Respectfully,

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#### Dear OLA Team,

Plaintiffs write to state our deep concern regarding the ongoing and widespread delays in transfers to inpatient care and to again ask for related information about *Coleman* class members. At the November 10, 2020 Task Force meeting, Defendants committed to provide a list of the names and CDCR numbers of patients awaiting transfer to a PIP or DSH, including LRH moves, their lengths of time waiting, and their needed level of care. Defendants have previously reported there are about 300-400 people systemwide awaiting transfer to a PIP or DSH. *See* Sixth Joint Task Force Report ECF 6895 at 6 (as of the week of September 21-27, 2020, a total of 66 patients with pending acute referrals and 303 patients with pending ICF referrals). But Defendants have never provided a list of the individual patients. Also at the November 10, 2020 Task Force meeting, Defendants repeated their prior commitment to provide a list of all emergency transfers that have been made from a closed institution to a PIP over the last six months. On November 16, 2020, we wrote to follow up on Defendants' commitments to provide those two lists, and other commitments. At the November 17, 2020 Task Force meeting, Defendants again committed to provide this information, as memorialized in Plaintiffs' November 18, 2020 Commitments letter. (Attached here for reference). But we still have not received it. This information is critical to our ability to perform our role as class counsel, and we are entitled to it. Defendants have previously stated that they routinely track this information and have ready access to it. Please provide it.

We also write to raise concerns about two specific class members at CMF who we understand to be among the hundreds of class members awaiting inpatient care. We ask that each be promptly transferred to ICF care, which can be accomplished through internal movement at CMF. Ms. **Second Second** ) has been at the MHCB at CMF since June 17, 2020, when she was admitted due to suicidal ideation and being deemed a danger to herself. Despite being discharged to EOP on June 26, 2020, Ms. **Second** remained in the MHCB for months until her symptoms deteriorated to the point that she was referred to the ICF level of care on October 28, 2020. Ms. **Second** still remains in the MHCB, where she has been housed for nearly six months. Recent clinical notes document that Ms. **Second** is experiencing "unprecedented sudden intense depression, accompanied by suicidal ideation" and state that she demonstrates a pattern of "decompensating into suicidal depression without disclosing to anyone, indicating significantly increased risk of successful suicide." *See* 12/1/20 MHPC Progress Note. Clinicians agree that Ms. **Second** needs the increased monitoring and treatment available at the ICF level of care, yet she continues to be housed in the solitary and restrictive environment of the MHCB.

Similarly, Mr. **Construction**) was first transferred to the MHCB nearly five months ago on July 8, 2020, following a suicide attempt at MCSP. On July 18, 2020, Mr. **Construction** IDTT referred him to the ICF level of care. Mr. **Construction** treatment team has repeatedly referred him for transfer to ICF level of care at weekly IDTT meetings but he still has not transferred. Mr. **Construction** continues to report to mental health staff that he wants to transfer out of the MHCB. Clinical notes document "he is still frustrated that he remains housed in MHCB" and that Mr. **Construction** understands "he may have to wait until ICC in January to be given an endorsement for another institution." *See* November 20, 2020 MHPC Inpatient Progress Note. Notes from his November 24, 2020 IDTT indicate that he was finally endorsed for an

Case 2:90-cv-00520-KJM-DB Document 6975-1 Filed 12/07/20 Page 44 of 59 internal transfer to the CMF-PIP, yet his latest IDTT notes from yesterday, December 1, 2020, show he still has not transferred.

Please promptly and safely transfer Ms. **Constant** and Mr. **Constant** from the CMF MHCB to the CMF PIP (or a different PIP). If this internal movement within CMF cannot be promptly accomplished for some reason, please explain why given that Defendants routinely report that CMF PIP has dozens of vacant beds including in the most recently filed Inpatient Census and Waitlist Report filed Nov. 16, 2020 (ECF No. 6956).

Thank you for your attention to these individual class members' wellbeing, and please provide the requested systemwide information promptly.

Best, Marc

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	SAC	APP	20
	SAC	APP	17
	CMF	APP	17
	CMF	APP	17
	CMC	APP	16
	COR	APP	16
	WSP	APP	15
	RJD	APP	15
	CMF	APP	13
	CMC	APP	13
	LAC	APP	13
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	CMF	APP	10
	MCSP	APP	10
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	CMF	APP	3
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## NEW ICF REFERRALS AS OF DECEMBER 3, 2020

CDCR#	LAST NAME-FIRST INITIAL	Ref CDCR Facility	APP/ICF	Total Days since COVID Hold / Complete
		CMF-SAC	ICF	282
		SAC	ICF	280
		LAC	ICF	275
		LAC	ICF	275
		LAC	ICF	262
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-		CIM SAC		262
		LAC	ICF	260
		SAC	ICF	260
		COR	ICF	259
		SATE	ICF	260
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	SATF	ICF	254
		LAC	ICF	251
		KVSP	ICF	244
		LAC	ICF	245
		MCSP	ICF	245
		COR	ICF	238
		LAC	ICF	232
		CMC	ICF	232
		SAC	ICF	227
		SAC	ICF	225
		SAC	ICF	216
		SAC	ICF	211
		MCSP	ICF	210
		SAC	ICF	210
		CIM	ICF	203
		CIM	ICF	203
		SATF COR	ICF ICF	198
		LAC	ICF	197 197
		SAC	ICF	197
		LAC	ICF	196
		SAC	ICF	190
		SQ	ICF	188
		LAC	ICF	189
		RJD-NKSP	ICF	185
		CMC	ICF	184
		KVSP	ICF	182
		CMC	ICF	182
		CIM	ICF	182
		LAC	ICF	182

SATF	ICF	176
CMC	ICF	175
LAC	ICF	170
LAC	ICF	168
LAC	ICF	162
CMC	ICF	161
LAC	ICF	156
CIM	ICF	155
SAC	ICF	148
SATE	ICF	148
SAT	ICF	154
LAC	ICF	154
LAC	ICF	150
LAC	ICF	149
LAC	ICF	147
LAC	ICF	147
CIM	ICF	148
SATF	ICF	147
SATF	ICF	147
SAC	ICF	146
CMF	ICF	146
KVSP	ICF	143
SAC	ICF	142
COR	ICF	135
LAC	ICF	141
COR	ICF	141
SATF	ICF	140
CMC	ICF	140
LAC	ICF	140
KVSP	ICF	
		139
SATE	ICF	139
SATE	ICF	139
SATF	ICF	136
LAC	ICF	135
SAC	ICF	134
LAC	ICF	129
NKSP	ICF	129
CMF	ICF	133
MCSP	ICF	132
SAC	ICF	132
CMC	ICF	128
SATF	ICF	126
LAC	ICF	126
LAC	ICF	126
SAC	ICF	112
MCSP	ICF	125
MCSP	ICF	125
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KVSP	ICF	125
SAC	ICF	125
SATF	ICF	122
LAC	ICF	122
CMF	ICF	122
CMC	ICF	120
LAC	ICF	115
SAC	ICF	119
SATF	ICF	113
SATF	ICF	113
RJD-LA		112
CMF	ICF	112
CMC	ICF	92
LAC	ICF	107
COR	ICF	106
LAC	ICF	106
CMC	ICF	101
SAC	ICF	99
SAC	ICF	99 98
LAC	ICF	98
SATE	ICF	98
SATE	ICF	
CMF	ICF	91
CMF	ICF	91 73
SAC	ICF	
SAC	ICF	84 80
SAC	ICF	80 78
SATE	ICF	78
SAC	ICF	78
LAC	ICF	78
CMC	ICF	76 72
CMC	ICF	
CMC	ICF	73
VSP	ICF	73 72
MCSP		72
LAC-RJ		72
SATF	ICF	70 71
LAC	ICF	71
SAC	ICF	69
SAC		66
CMF	ICF	66
CIMF	ICF	65
	ICF	65 64
CMC CMC	ICF	64 62
CMC	ICF	
SQ	ICF	58
		59 50
SAC	ICF	59

CMF	ICF	59
CMC	ICF	52
SAC	ICF	58
SATF	ICF	58
CMF	ICF	57
SAC	ICF	57
SATE	ICF	56
SAC	ICF	55
SAC	ICF	55
SATE	ICF	55 51
CHCF	ICF	51 51
MCSP	ICF	51 50
SAC	ICF	50 45
SAC	ICF	45
SATE	ICF	42
CMC	ICF	43
NKSP	ICF	38
COR	ICF	38
CMC	ICF	37
LAC	ICF	42
SAC	ICF	41
SAC	ICF	38
CHCF	ICF	35
SATF	ICF	37
LAC-RJD	ICF	36
CMC	ICF	36
NKSP	ICF	35
SAC	ICF	35
CMC	ICF	35
KVSP	ICF	35
CMF	ICF	35
CMF	ICF	35
CMC	ICF	31
LAC	ICF	30
LAC	ICF	30
CHCF	ICF	21
LAC	ICF	20
LAC	ICF	23
VSP	ICF	28
LAC-RJD	ICF	20
LAC	ICF	23
MCSP	ICF	23
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CHCF	ICF	21

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	CHCF	ICF	17
	LAC	ICF	17
	VSP	ICF	16
	SAC	ICF	16
	RJD	ICF	16
	SAC	ICF	16
-	CIW	ICF	10
	CMC	ICF	15
	KVSP	ICF	10
	VSP	ICF	13
	RJD	ICF	14
	KVSP	ICF	13
	CMF	ICF	10
	CMF	ICF	10
	CMF	ICF	10
	CMF	ICF	9
	CMF	ICF	9
	VSP	ICF	9
	CIM	ICF	9
	CMF	ICF	9
	CMF	ICF	9
	SVSP	ICF	9
	CMF	ICF	8
	WSP	ICF	8
	SATF	ICF	3
	COR	ICF	3
	SVSP	ICF	3
	SAC	ICF	1
	CMC	ICF	1
	CMC	ICF	1
	SAC	ICF	1
	CIM	ICF	1
	RJD	ICF	1

### ICF TO ICF REFERRALS AS OF DECEMBER 3, 2020

CDCR#	LAST NAME-FIRST INITIAL	Ref CDCR Facility	APP/ICF	Total Days since COVID Hold / Complete
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	213
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	195
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	189
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	182
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	181
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	167
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	167
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	161
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	161
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	154
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	153
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	149
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	141
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	136
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	135
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	129
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	129
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	127
		CMF-PIP	ICF	122
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	114
		CMF-PIP	ICF	111
		CMF-PIP	ICF	85
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	84
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	59
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	57
		CMF-PIP	ICF	55
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	48
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	28
		CMF-PIP	ICF	23
		CMF-PIP	ICF	20
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	16
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	16
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	14
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	13
		SVSP-PIP	ICF	10
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	3

### ACUTE TO ICF REFERRALS AS OF DECEMBER 3, 2020

CDCR#	LAST NAME-FIRST INITIAL	Ref CDCR Facility	APP/ICF	Total Days since COVID Hold / Complete
		CMF-PIP	ICF	135
		CMF-PIP	ICF	134
		CMF-PIP	ICF	105
100		CMF-PIP	ICF	84
4,5°		CMF-PIP	ICF	80
		CMF-PIP	ICF	79
00		CHCF-PIP	ICF	79
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	77
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	76
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	76
		CMF-PIP	ICF	76
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	72
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	71
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	71
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	69
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	69
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	65
		CMF-PIP	ICF	58
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	56
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	55
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	51
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		CHCF-PIP	ICF	48
		CMF-PIP	ICF	44
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	34
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	34
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	30
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	30
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	30
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	29
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	14
		CMF-PIP	ICF	14
		CHCF-PIP	ICF	13
		CMF-PIP	ICF	9
		CMF-PIP	ICF	3
		CMF-PIP	ICF	2

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CDCR#	LAST NAME-FIRST INITIAL	Ref CDCR Facility	APP/ICF	Total Days since COVID Hold / Complete
		SVSP-PIP	APP	111