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TO: Mobile Crisis Providers, Crisis Stabilization Unit Providers, Hospitals

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SUBJECT: Crisis System

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The Department was charged in the most recent legislative session with achieving savings in the crisis system in FY 2009, consolidating the child and adult systems into one system per district and using MOUs among the parties to accomplish this.

To that end, a work plan has been established with a projected timeline which follows.

Contracts will be renewed for 8 months ending February 28, 2009. New contracts will be established for March 1, 2009 to reflect the changes developed over the next eight (8) months.

A Department Work Group is being finalized consisting of 2 staff from OAMHS, 2 staff from Children's Behavioral Health of Child and Family Services, 1 family member, and 1 adult mental health consumer. This Work Group will oversee the process.

Date	Tasks	Responsible
July 28, 2008	MOU parameters and system design minimum requirements established for each District Distribution of Dollars for Mobile Crisis and Crisis Stabilization units by district set Design of evaluation for legislative report completed	Department Work Group
August 1, 2009	Notify Mobile Crisis Providers, Crisis Stabilization Units and Hospitals and other providers of financial information, system requirements and MOU parameters which are to be negotiated for Districts in which they currently provide services	Department Work Group

August 1, 2008 – January 15, 2009	District Providers and hospitals develop system, MOUs and finances for their respective districts	District Providers and hospitals
January 1, 2009	Complete Report for Legislature on progress of consolidation	Department Work Group
January 15, 2009	District Providers and hospitals complete negotiations and provide recommendations to OAMHS/CFS on funding, system design and MOUs	District Providers and hospitals
March 1, 2009	Contracts Issued According to system design, MOUs and finances for each provider in each district	Purchased Services
January 1, 2010	Submit Legislative Evaluation	CFS and OAMHS Office Directors