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TO: Community Integration, ACT, and Daily Living Supports Providers and other Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: Criteria for Utilization of “Grant” Funds and Distribution by CSN

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To ensure services to certain AMHI Class Members as well as consumers who are not MaineCare members or spend down MaineCare members, the OAMHS has established the attached **Criteria for General Fund (“Grant”) Funding of Community Integration (CI), Assertive Community Treatment (ACT), and Daily Living Support Services (DLS) for FY 2009**. This criteria is being written into contracts with all providers of Community Integration, ACT and Daily Living Support Services across the State. Unlike previous years where only selected organizations had grant funds, all organizations providing these services will have access to “grant” funds. A consumer who presents at one of these agencies who meets the criteria may be accepted by that agency for service after receiving prior authorization by APS Healthcare in the same manner as if the consumer was a MaineCare member. It is anticipated that APS Healthcare will begin their process in August. OAMHS will provide a two week notice of the start date.

Since the OAMHS has limited funds to support those consumers who are not Class Members or have a spend down, OAMHS has distributed the \$1.3 million which was added to the OAMHS budget for Community Integration and ACT services by CSN. This distribution was based upon the estimated population of seriously mentally ill in each CSN. OAMHS will be managing these dollars within the overall total and within the amount per CSN over the course of the coming year. Attached is the allocation by CSN.

Further discussion of this will occur in the CSN meetings in August.

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