# AB 1051 (Bennett)

Ensures that the MHP in the county of original jurisdiction retains responsibility for arranging and paying for SMHS services for children and youth in foster care who are placed in STRTPs, Group Homes and CTFs or admitted to CCRPs

Effective on July 1, 2024

#### **Summary of the New Contract Options:**

So that children and youth in foster care receive timely access to SMHS and that providers are paid for SMHS in a timely manner, the MHP in the county of original jurisdiction, SMHS provider and MHP in the county of residence can use one of 3 contract options for payment.

### Option 1:

MHP in county of original jurisdiction pays provider through an existing behavioral health contract.

## Option 2:

MHP in county of original jurisdiction pays provider through a new behavioral health contract.

#### Option 3:

MHP in county of residence pays provider through new or existing behavioral health contract. MHP in county of original jurisdiction reimburses county of residence.







# Exceptions

REMINDER:
There are only
two exceptions
that would
exempt a
placement from
the regulations
outlined in AB
1051

1. Child or youth is going to stay in the facility's county after treatment

**OR** 

2. Per CFT, child or youth will be negatively impacted without presumptive transfer







## **Notification Timeframes**

Placing Agency
SHALL, prior to
placement, notify
the responsible
MHP about
placement in Out
of County
program



Child is Placed in Out of County program by Placing Agency



If Notification
prior to placement
does not occur,
Notification MUST
occur within 3
days of placement
by either placing
agency or
provider



counties must
come to
agreement about
contracting
option to be used
for SMHS services
within 30 days of
the placing
agency
notification





