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To: All Plata Counsel

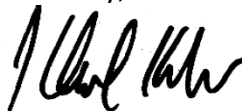
Re: Assessing Medical Bed Utilization among Women in the CDCR

This letter acknowledges receipt of the final report entitled, "Assessing Medical Bed Utilization among Women in the CDCR" (Report), prepared by The Criminal Justice & Health Program at the University of California, San Francisco. I have consulted with California Correctional Health Care Services (CCHCS) managers regarding the Report. I make the following observations:

1. California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation CDCR does not have a present need to construct space for additional beds for women patients, and CCHCS can appropriately manage our patients with a mixed use of the existing beds and in expanding bed use in select housing areas.
2. I am directing the women's institutions to develop new, cost-effective levels of care for their patient populations (details to be coordinated by the institutions in consultation with regional and headquarters leadership) and to enhance assisted living, advanced care planning, palliative care, and hospice services for our women patients.
3. I am directing CCHCS to consider the Report's recommendations regarding CCWF's institutional medical designation and to begin the process to change their medical institutional designation to intermediate care, if necessary, to more appropriately respond to the health care needs of our women patients.

Note that the Report is the result of a consulting services agreement that provides the findings and recommendations of the contractor. As is the case with any consulting services agreement, we retain the discretion to determine the findings and recommendations that should be implemented, to best achieve the organization's goals and objectives.

Sincerely,



J. Clark Kelso
Receiver