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**SUPPLEMENT TO THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

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- 1) In its Initial Statement of Reasons (ISOR), the Department intended to explain that section 51101, subdivision (a)(1), applies where a person has continuously received three years of regional center services before the issuance of the commitment order to a state developmental center. In contrast, section 51101, subdivision (a)(2), would apply to individuals who did not continually receive regional center services for three years before issuance of the order. The Department was advised that two times on page three of the ISOR its intent was unclear. The Department clarifies here that three continuous years of regional center services is the standard to determine whether subdivision (a)(1) or (a)(2) applies.
- 2) The Department was also advised that the term "actively" used in section 51101, subdivisions (a)(1) and (a)(2), was confusing. To clarify that the Department intended to mean three years of ongoing regional center services, the language is changed to "continuously receiving regional center services."
- 3) Lastly, the Department was asked why it chose three years as the time period for purposes section 51101, subdivisions (a)(1) and (a)(2). In its experience, DDS has found that three years of continuous service records is the minimum amount of record needed to make an informed safe-to-serve determination. Three years usually provides a comprehensive set of medical, psychiatric, and service records for making an accurate safe-to-serve determination.

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