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TO: Hudson River Region  
County Mental Health Directors/Commissioners  
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FROM: William Porter, Director   
Hudson River Field Office

SUBJECT: Field Office Staff Assignments & Changes

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I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of assignment changes in the Hudson River Field Office (HRFO).

Please refer to the attached updated listing which reflects a few county liaison reassignments being made. As always, you should continue to contact your County Liaison first for assistance. If that person is not available, and you need immediate assistance, please ask for the staff person who is on-call that day and that person will attend to your immediate needs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (845) 454-8229.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

WRP:smm  
Attachment

cc: HRFO  
Sr. Staff  
Sr. Secretaries

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