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| **Acronyms & Abbreviations** (Mental/Behavioral Health in California)  1 of 2 | | |
| **Acronym/ Abbreviation** | **Description** | **Comment/ Explanation** |
| 504 Plan | School accommodations for students with disabilities |  |
| 5150 | Welfare & Institutions Code re: 72 Hour Hold | Gravely disabled/danger to self/others |
| 24/7 | 24 hours/day—7 days/week |  |
| AAA | Area Agency on Aging | Federal/State Funded |
| AB 109 | Corrections Realignment | Legislation |
| AB 1234 | Ethics Training Requirements | https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx |
| ACT | Assertive Community Treatment (Wrap-Around) | Team-based treatment model, providing multidisciplinary, flexible treatment 24/7 |
| ADHD | Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder |  |
| ANSA | Adult Needs & Strengths Assessment |  |
| AOD | Alcohol & Other Drugs | Also known as Substance Use |
| BH | Behavioral Health | Mental Health & Substance Use |
| BOS | Board of Supervisors |  |
| EQRO | External Quality Review Organization | Conducts annual Medi-Cal audits |
| CALBHB/C | California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards / Commissions |  |
| CANS | Child, Adolescent Needs & Strengths Association |  |
| CARE Act | Community Assistance, Recovery & Empowerment Act | |
| CF/TN | Capital Facilities &Technology Needs |  |
| CIT | Crisis Intervention Team | Officers trained in crisis response |
| CDEP | Community Defined Evidence Practices | [www.calbhbc.org/cultural-issues](http://www.calbhbc.org/cultural-issues) |
| CMHC | Community Mental Health Centers |  |
| CBHDA | County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California |  |
| CBHPC | California Behavioral Health Planning Council | State Advisory & Advocacy Council |
| CMS | Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services |  |
| ConRep | Conditional Release Program | State-Funded Outpatient Services |
| CR | Crisis Residential |  |
| CS or CSU | Crisis Stabilization (Unit) |  |
| CPP | Community Program Planning | MHSA Component |
| CSS | Community Services and Support | MHSA (76% of MHSA programs) |
| CWS | Child Welfare Services |  |
| DHCS | California’s Department of Health Care Services |  |
| DSM-5 | Diagnosis & Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders |  |
| EPSDT | Early & Periodic Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment | Children's Medi-Cal benefit |
| EQRO | External Quality Review Organization | Conducts annual Medi-Cal audits |
| FFP | Federal Financial participation | Federal portion paid for Medi-Cal |
| FQHC | Federally Qualified Health Center |  |
| FSP | Full Service Partnership (at least 51% of MHSA CSS) | MHSA CSS Wrap-Around Services |
| FY | Fiscal Year |  |
| HHSA | Health & Human Services Agency |  |
| HIPAA | Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act |  |
| HMO | Health Management Organization |  |
| HUD | Housing & Urban Development (Federal) |  |
| IEP | Individual Education Plan | For students with disabilities |
| IMD | Institution for Mental Diseases |  |
| INN | Innovations (MHSA Component) | MHSA (5% of MHSA) |
| IST | Incompetent to Stand Trial | Penal Code PC 1370 |
| Locum Tenens | Providers (such as a doctor) on temporary contracts |  |
| LPHA | Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts |  |
| LPT | Licensed Psychiatric Technician |  |

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| LVN | Licensed Vocational Nurse |  |
| MAT | Medically Assisted Treatment | Treatments for SUD |
| MC | Medi-Cal | Term for “Medicaid” in California |
| MCP | Managed Care Plan | Medi-Cal health care delivery system |
| MH | Mental Health |  |
| MHAC | Mental Health America California | Stakeholder Group |
| MHB | Mental Health Board |  |
| MHD | Mental Health Division |  |
| MHDRC | Mental Health Rehabilitation Center |  |
| MHP | *County* Mental Health Plan | SMHS to Medi-Cal beneficiaries |
| MHS | Mental Health Services |  |
| MHSA | Mental Health Services Act | Proposition 63 passed in 2004 |
| MHSOAC | MH Services Oversight and Accountability Commission | State Commission |
| MOE | Maintenance Of Effort |  |
| MOU | Memorandum of Understanding |  |
| NAMI | National Alliance on Mental Illness | Advocacy Organization |
| OA | Older Adult |  |
| OAC | Abbreviation for MHSOAC | State Commission |
| OT | Occupational Therapist |  |
| PATH | Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homeless | SAMHSA Grant-Funded |
| PC 1370 IST | Penal Code: Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) |  |
| PCP | Primary Care Physician |  |
| PEI | Prevention & Early Intervention (MHSA Component) | At least 51% of PEI is to serve individuals 25 and younger |
| PHI | Protected Health Information |  |
| PIP | Performance Improvement Plans | Medi-Cal Requirement |
| Prop 63 | State Proposition establishing the MHSA |  |
| PTSD | Post-traumatic Stress Disorder |  |
| QIC | Quality Improvement Committee |  |
| RFA | Request for Application |  |
| RFI | Request for Information |  |
| RFP | Request for Proposal |  |
| SAD | Seasonal Affective Disorder |  |
| SAMHSA | Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Agency | Block Grant program |
| SD/MC | [Short-Doyle Program for MH Services (1957)](https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/MH/Pages/MH-Medi-CalMentalHealthPolicy(MCMHP)Background.aspx) | Linked w/Medi-Cal benefits (1971) |
| SED | Serious Emotional Disturbance | A diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder that results in functional impairment that  substantially interferes with or limits a child's role or functioning in family, school, or community activities |
| [SELPA](https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/ds/lclpln.asp) | Special Education Local Plan Area | Ensures special education in counties |
| SLP | Supported Living Programs |  |
| SMHS | Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services | Provided through County MHPs |
| SNF | Skilled Nursing Facility | Pronounced “Sniff” |
| SMI | Serious Mentally Illness | A mental, behavioral or emotional disorder that results in serious functional impairment which substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life activities |
| STP | Specialized Treatment Program |  |

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| SUD | Substance Use Disorder |  |
| TA | Technical Assistance |  |
| TAY | Transitional Age Youth | This ranges, but usually ages 16 - 25 |
| TDD/TTY | Telecommunication Device for the Deaf / TeleTYpe |  |
| W&I or WIC | Welfare & Institutions Code (State) |  |
| WET | Workforce Education & Training | An MHSA Component |
| Wrap Around | Wrap-Around Services (such as Mental Health, Social Services, Vocational, Housing) |  |

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