

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION FOR COMMENDATION FOR SANTA BARBARA PSYCHIATRIC HEALTH FACILITY STAFF EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, MARCH 2020

WHEREAS, The Department of Behavioral Wellness operates the Santa Barbara County Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF), a 16-bed facility that provides 24-hour inpatient care to individuals requiring psychiatric hospitalization. It is a Lanterman-Petris-Short-designated facility and the only Acute Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital that accepts Medi-Cal within Santa Barbara County. The PHF is licensed both as a Psychiatric Health Facility by the California Department of Health Care Services and as an Acute Hospital by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The PHF is one of only two such free-standing psychiatric hospitals in the State of California, also known as "Super-PHF," distinguished from other Psychiatric Health Facilities by their ability to receive Medicare reimbursement.

WHEREAS, the PHF currently employs a total of 50+ individuals consisting of Physicians, Nurses, Psychiatric Technicians, Recovery Assistants, Recreational Therapists, Social Workers, Dietary, Quality Care, Administrative, Pharmacy and Facility staff.

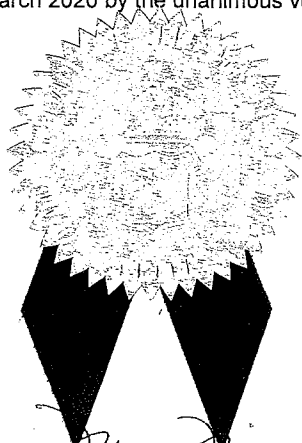
WHEREAS, the PHF staff recently passed audits from both the California Department of Health Care Services and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

WHEREAS, these audits resulted in the revision and or development and implementation of over 100 new policies and subsequent trainings for staff

WHEREAS, the PHF staff offer care to those in our community with grace, kindness and dedication, in the face of adversity PHF staff have embodied the true spirit of county service demonstrating resilience and teamwork while providing patient centered care...we end with a quote from one of our beloved nurses who starts every shift by saying today will be the "best day ever".

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors recognizes the PHF staff as the employee of the month for March 2020.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 10th day of March 2020 by the unanimous vote of the members present.



ATTEST:

Monica Reyes
Clerk of the Board

David L. ...
Supervisor - 1st District

Ray ...
Supervisor - 2nd District

John ...
Supervisor - 3rd District

Steve ...
Supervisor - 4th District

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Supervisor - 5th District