

Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services

M E M O R A N D U M



Date: April 4, 2011

To: Honorable Supervisors
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

From: Ann Detrick
Director

Subject: Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) Governing Body

CC: Chandra Wallar, County Executive Officer
Terri Maus-Nisich, Assistant County Executive Officer
Michael Allen, Clerk of the Board

On behalf of ADMHS, I have received a request for additional information and clarification regarding Administrative Item, A7, to be considered by the Board of Supervisors, tomorrow, April 5, 2011.

First, I have been asked to provide an updated, final version of the PHF Medical Staff Bylaws and Medical Staff Rules and Regulations to reflect the following two changes as requested:

- A) Date Added to Document – April 5, 2011.
- B) Under Article III, Section 3, Basic Responsibilities of Staff Membership:
 - On Page 6, Subsection e.1): “Refrain from fee-split or other inducements relating to patient referral” has been changed to “Will not fee-split or accept other inducements relating to patient referral.”
 - On Page 6, Subsection e.3): “Refrain from delegating the responsibility for diagnosis or care of admitted patients to a practitioner who is not known to be qualified to undertake this responsibility” has been changed to “Will not delegate the responsibility for diagnosis or care of admitted patients to a practitioner who is not known to be qualified to undertake this responsibility.”

Second, for each physician for whom PHF Medical Staff appointments are sought from the Board of Supervisors, tomorrow, April 5, 2011, I am clarifying the physician category of each: Active Medical Staff, Consulting Medical Staff, Provisional Medical Staff, Allied Health Professional Staff or Locum Tenens Staff.

All of the staff for whom PHF Medical Staff appointments are requested fall exclusively within the category as Active Medical Staff. As described in the PHF Medical Staff Bylaws and Medical Staff Rules and Regulations, Article IV, Section 2:

“The Active Medical Staff shall consist of physicians who are employed or contracted to care for patients in the facility, in accordance with the privileges granted by the Medical Staff credentialing and privileging process. The Active Medical Staff assumes all the functions and responsibilities of membership on the Active Medical Staff, including, where appropriate, emergency service care and consultation assignments. Members of the Active Medical Staff shall be eligible to vote, to hold office, and to serve on the Medical Staff committees, and shall be required to attend Medical Staff meetings at least quarterly.”

As named in the April 5, 2011 Board Letter on this matter, the physicians for whom PHF Medical Staff appointments are sought include:

Howard Babus, MD
George Bajor, MD
Ole Behrendtsen, MD
Enrico Cerrato, MD
Edwin Feliciano, MD
Peter Garcia, MD
Salman Haq, MD
Irwin Lunianski, MD
Mark Kofler, MD
Charles Nicholson, MD
Douglas Schave, MD
Nancy Smith, MD
James Stewart, MD
Wahid Tanios, MD
Peter Tilton, MD
William Vollero, MD
Michael Wexler, MD.

Thank you.