

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 1/15/03
Department Name: Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health
Department No.: 043
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Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: James L. Broderick, Ph.D.
Director

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SUBJECT: Nomination for Appointment to Advisory Board for Napa State Hospital

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Nominate for consideration by the Governor, Linda Hatch, Ph.D. to the position of Advisory Board Member for Napa State Hospital.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation to nominate Linda Hatch, Ph.D. for consideration for Advisory Board Member for Napa State Hospital is primarily aligned with our organizational values regarding collaboration and partnering.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Hospital Advisory Boards, State Department of Mental Health

The Governor selects appointees from nominations submitted by the Board of Supervisors from counties within each State Hospital's designated service area. Napa State Hospital service Northern and Central California which includes the Santa Barbara County geographic area.

Linda Hatch, Ph.D. currently works for Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services in our Multi-Agency Integrated System of Care at the Santa Barbara Children's Clinic. Dr. Hatch has, in the past, worked in a state hospital as a staff psychologist, has done forensic assessment work with State Hospital patients, such as Mentally Disordered Offender evaluations for the Parole Board, at Atascadero State Hospital, and Sexually Violent Predator assessments for the California State Department of Mental Health.

Her background enables her to provide the State Department of Mental Health and the Legislature with appropriate advise in respect to the conduct of hospitals and coordination with community mental health programs.

The Hospital Advisory Board is charged with ensuring through partnerships the availability and accessibility of effective, efficient, culturally competent services through advocacy, education, oversight, monitoring, quality improvement, and the provision of direct services.

The Department supports Dr. Hatch's nomination for this position of Advisory Board Member. Her position as an Advisory Board Member will provide the Department with unique insight into the development of State Hospital policies, as well as maintaining appropriate services for persons in State Hospitals.

Mandates and Service Levels:

This nomination conforms to the mandates of Welfare and Institutions Code § 4200.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There is no fiscal impact.

Special Instructions:

Please send one copy of the minute order to the Department of Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services, attention Lorrie Francis

Concurrence: