

MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED: April 14, 2016
ATTENTION: Members, Medical Board of California (Board)
SUBJECT: Midwifery Advisory Council (MAC) Vacancies
STAFF CONTACT: Curtis J. Worden, Chief of Licensing

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the MAC's recommendation to appoint Anne Marie Adams, M.D., to the vacant physician member position. Staff also recommends the Board approve the MAC's recommendation to appoint Jocelyn Dugan to the vacant public member position. Staff further recommends that if the MAC at its August 18, 2016 meeting votes to recommend a licensed midwife to the vacant midwife position, the candidate be permitted to sit on the MAC at that meeting pending Board approval at the October 2016 meeting.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Business and Professions Code Section 2509 states the Board shall create and appoint a Midwifery Advisory Council consisting of licensees of the Board in good standing, who need not be members of the Board, and members of the public who have an interest in midwifery practice, including, but not limited to, home births. At least one-half of the MAC members shall be California licensed midwives.

On January 11, 2016, a MAC Member Interest Form was mailed to all California licensed midwives and individuals on the interested parties mailing list for three positions: one licensed midwife, one licensed physician, and one public member positions that are expiring on June 30, 2016. An application was also posted on the Board's website. The deadline for application submissions was February 10, 2016. The Board did not receive any applications for the California licensed midwife position.

The Board received seven applications for the licensed physician member position. Two of the physician applicants were present at the March 10, 2016 MAC meeting and addressed the MAC members regarding their interest to be a MAC member. The MAC members voted to recommend to the full Board Anne Marie Adams, M.D., to the physician member position.

The Board received six applications for the public member position. One of the public member applicants was present and addressed the MAC members regarding her interest to be a MAC member. The MAC members voted to recommend to the full Board Jocelyn Dugan for the vacant public member position.

Staff will send out a MAC Member Interest Form for the vacant licensed midwife position prior to the next MAC meeting on August 18, 2016.