



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

C-9

For the meeting of: February 23, 2016

Date: February 1, 2016

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Connie Beck, Interim Director *AG for CB*
Department of Health and Human Services

Subject: Approval of Micah Hoffman, M.D. as Interim Chief of Inpatient Psychiatric Services
Humboldt County Mental Health - Sempervirens

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors, acting as the Governing Body of Sempervirens Psychiatric Health Facility, and on the recommendation of the Department of Health and Human Services – Mental Health:

1. Approve the appointment of Micah Hoffman, M.D. as Interim Chief of Inpatient Psychiatric Services of Humboldt County Mental Health-Sempervirens, effective February 13, 2016.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

The Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, §482.62, requires that a Medical Director be designated to provide leadership for the intensive treatment program within inpatient psychiatric services. On March 17, 2015 (item H-2), the Board adopted the Chief of Inpatient Psychiatric Services Statement of Qualifications and Duties. This requested appointment designates Micah Hoffman, M.D. as the Interim Chief of Inpatient

Prepared by: Wanda Hansen, Medical Staff Coordinator

CAO Approval *E. Shier*

REVIEW:

Auditor *MBM*

County Counsel *Sm*

Human Resources *KW*

Other

TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent
☐ Departmental
☐ Public Hearing
☐ Other

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. H-2

Meeting of: 3/17/15

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor *Fennell* Seconded by Supervisor *Bass*

Aye: *Fennell, Lovelace, Bass*

Nays

Abstain

Absent *Sundberg, Bohn*

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: *Feb. 23, 2016*

By:

Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board *[Signature]*

Psychiatric Services, who will serve as the interim Medical Director of Humboldt County Mental Health-Sempervirens and provide leadership for an intensive treatment program.

The outgoing Medical Director was scheduled to leave on February 12, 2016. Mental Health-Sempervirens cannot be without a named medical director; therefore, the effective date for the appointment of Micah Hoffman, M. D. must be February 13, 2016 to prevent a gap in coverage.

In the event, Micah Hoffman, M.D. must be absent temporarily from Sempervirens, Dr. Hoffman may designate other physicians, who are on rotation at Sempervirens, to act as his authorized designee.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditures associated with this process are included in the approved DHHS-Mental Health Branch Administrative budget unit 1170-424.

There is no impact to the County General Fund.

Approving this appointment supports the Board's Strategic Framework by helping provide continuity of health and safety for vulnerable populations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board Discretion.

ATTACHMENTS:

None