

**MEMORANDUM  
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Adult System of Care**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.  
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services  
Maureen F. Bauman, L.C.S.W, M.P.A., Director of Adult System of Care

**DATE:** January 12, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Membership Appointment to the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board (MHADAB) respectfully request the Board of Supervisors approve the appointment of John Koehler as a Public Interest Member for District 3, Seat 15.

**BACKGROUND:**

John Koehler has applied for a position on the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board (MHADAB) as a Public Interest Member. He previously sat on this board from February 2002 until January 2005. Since his return to the MHADAB meetings as a guest beginning July 2009, he has been actively providing input to this board.

Mr. Koehler worked as a licensed clinical social worker for 36 years. He provided psychotherapy to individuals, couples, teens, and groups. His history includes not only serving on other mental health advisory boards in Minnesota and California, but also volunteer work for phone crisis programs, Peace for Families, and Kaiser Hospice Services. Mr. Koehler is primarily interested in getting the community involved in helping meet the critical needs of those with long-standing mental health issues. In addition, he has a great concern with the issue of suicide and seeks to gain a better understanding about suicides with hopes to bring greater awareness to the public and to this board.

The Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board recommends appointment of the applicant.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.



PLACER COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON  
ADVISORY BOARD OR COMMISSION

THE FOLLOWING IS PUBLIC INFORMATION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON: Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Board  
(NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE)

IF THIS BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE CALLS FOR A SPECIFIC TYPE MEMBER, PLEASE INDICATE THE POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING: Board Member Public Interest

NAME: JOHN KOEHLER

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE: 3rd - Jim Holmes

TIMES YOU ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS: DAYS: Any TIMES Any

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE/PROFESSION (A RESUME MAY BE ATTACHED): Licensed Clinical Social Worker (License inactive since retirement). Provided psychotherapy to individuals, couples, teens, group. Admin Duties

ORGANIZATION/COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE: On many Health, mental health, Alcohol/ drug Boards + committees in Calif + Minnesota. 200+ presentations to community groups. Assistant Director in MN mental Health Center.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE: Masters Social Work, University of Chicago; B.A., Colby College

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETAINED FOR TWO YEARS

APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
175 FULWEILER AVENUE, ROOM 101, AUBURN, CALIFORNIA 95603

DATE: 10/24/2009 SIGNATURE: John Koehler

THE FOLLOWING IS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FOR PLACER COUNTY STAFF USE ONLY

**INTEREST SURVEY**  
**FOR THOSE DESIRING TO SERVE ON THE PLACER COUNTY MENTAL**  
**HEALTH, ALCOHOL, AND DRUG BOARD**

ALL APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE BY THE  
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(Please Print or Type)

Applicant Name: JOHN KOEHLER

1. Are you or your spouse a full-time or part-time county employee of a county mental health or substance abuse service (including community agencies which have a contract with the Placer County Adult System of Care), an employee of the State Department of Mental Health of State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (depending on the board in which you are applying), or an employee of, or a paid member of the governing body of, a Bronzan-McCorquodale contract agency?       Yes       No

**(If yes, you are not eligible under State law to be a member of the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Board.)**

2. How many hours could you devote each month to carrying out the duties of a Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Board member?      10+      hours.

3. Have you ever received or are you receiving the following publicly funded services?

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|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| Mental Health   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Substance Abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |

If yes, what state? \_\_\_\_\_ What county? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Have your parents, spouse, siblings, significant other or children ever received or are they receiving either of the following publicly funded services?

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|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| Mental Health   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Substance Abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |

Applicant Name: John KOEHLER

What is your professional, work or volunteer background? (Attach additional sheets if necessary). *Worked at Family Service Bureau - Chicago; Agnews State Hospital; Kaiser-Permanente; Northland mental Health center (MN); Human Resource Center, San Andreas. Volunteer: Phone Crisis Program, San Jose; Peace for Families; Kaiser Hospice Service*

Do you have any special areas of interest in mental health or substance abuse? If so, please describe below. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.) *I was involved in all aspects of MH & A/D services. In MN, I did considerable amount of community education; a special interest.*

What specific things would you like to accomplish as a member of the board in which you are applying? (Attach additional sheets if necessary.) *I am primarily interested in getting the community involved in helping meet the critical needs of those with long-standing mental health conditions*

Signature: John Koehler Date: 10/24/2009

Please return this interest survey to:

Placer County Adult System of Care  
11533 ~~C~~ Avenue 11512 B Avenue  
Auburn, CA 95603

Placer County Mental Health,  
Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board  
Interest Survey

August 17, 1998