

PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Medical Clinics

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services
Maureen F. Bauman, Director of Adult System of Care and Medical Clinics
DATE: February 3, 2015
SUBJECT: Appointment to the Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve the appointment of Yvonne Bond, Family Member, District 1, Seat 14 on the Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (MHADB).

BACKGROUND:

Yvonne Bond has applied for a position on the MHADB as a family member. Her work experience and family history in mental health make her a strong candidate.

Ms. Bond's employment history includes over 25 years as an engineer, working as an associate and assistant telecommunications engineer, as well as an electrical engineer. She also has worked the last 10 years as both a system engineering manager and product manager for AT&T. Ms. Bond has a B.S. in Electrical Engineering, an M.S. (with honors) in Computer Information Systems and a certificate in Business Management. She has excellent interpersonal, verbal, written and computer skills.

Ms. Bond is a member of the Sacramento National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). As a family member, she has participated in NAMI's trainings. As a volunteer, she uses her own experience to advocate and give a voice to mental illness.

She has a particular interest in improving legislation that would increase the abilities of family members to assist other family members requiring mental health services. Her goal is to better support families in the community, finding better options for families with loved ones needing help, and support and advocate for those with severe mental illness.

Ms. Bond's family experience with mental illness has afforded her the opportunity to learn firsthand how to better cope and find solutions. This lived experience, passion and ability to work with diverse groups will be an asset to this Board.

The MHADB recommends appointment of this applicant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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

Application for Membership on Advisory Board or Commission, Interest Survey and resume of Yvonne N. Bond, is on file with Clerk of the Board.

