MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED: ATTENTION: SUBJECT: STAFF CONTACT: April 4, 2017 Members, Medical Board of California (Board) Midwifery Advisory Council (MAC) Appointment April Alameda, Staff Services Manager II

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the MAC's recommendation to appoint Chemin Perez, L.M. to the licensed midwife position effective July 1, 2017, for a three-year term that will expire June 30, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Business and Professions Code section 2509 states that 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. The MAC shall make recommendations on matters specified by the Board.

The Board received four applications for the licensed midwife position. Three of the applicants were present at the March 16, 2017 MAC meeting and addressed the MAC members regarding their interest to be a MAC member. One applicant withdrew their application. The MAC members voted to recommend to the Board the appointment of Chemin Perez, L.M. for the licensed midwife position.