

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

DATE REPORT ISSUED: October 14, 2020
ATTENTION: Members, Medical Board of California (Board)
SUBJECT: Midwifery Advisory Council (MAC) Chair Report
CONTACT: Diane Holzer, L.M., Chair

REQUESTED ACTION:

After review and consideration, approve the following agenda items for the next MAC meeting:

- 1) Establishing goals for the MAC;
- 2) Update on midwifery related legislation;
- 3) Report from the MAC Chair;
- 4) Update on the Midwifery Program;
- 5) Report from the Task Force on the Licensed Midwife Annual Report (LMAR) and discussion on proposed regulatory language;
- 6) Approval of minutes from the August 20, 2020 MAC meeting;
- 7) Vote on MAC meeting dates for 2021;
- 8) Discussion and possible action on removal of the Practice Guidelines for California Licensed Midwives from the website;
- 9) Selection of a new MAC member: one public member position;
- 10) Discussion and possible action on draft letter to the Birth Certificate clerks and Social Security offices;
- 11) Report from the Task Force and discussion regarding Medi-Cal related issues; and
- 12) Discussion and possible action regarding legislative solution to address stalemate on creating regulations for Licensed Midwives.

BACKGROUND:

The last MAC meeting was held on August 20, 2020. At this meeting the following actions were taken or the MAC was provided the following information:

- Approved meeting minutes from the December 5, 2019 MAC meeting and the March 5, 2020 MAC meeting;
- Voted to recommend to the Board the appointment of Tesa Kurin to the vacant licensed midwife position on the MAC;
- Appointed Ms. Breglia and Ms. Kurin to the Medi-Cal Task Force;
- Received an update on midwifery legislation;
- Received an update on the Midwifery Program;
- Voted on a December 2020 MAC meeting date;
- Received a report from the Task Force regarding the data collected on the LMAR;

- Discussion on expanding scope of practice for midwives to include one year of postpartum care;
- Received report from Task Force on action regarding legislative solution to address stalemate on creating regulations for Licensed Midwives;
- Voted to accept the revisions to the Practice Guidelines for California Licensed Midwives.