

MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED: April 21, 2023
ATTENTION: Members, Medical Board of California
SUBJECT: Midwifery Advisory Council Member Appointment
STAFF CONTACT: Madeleine Wisner, L.M., Chair

ACTION REQUESTED:

After review and discussion, determine if the Board should approve the Midwifery Advisory Council's (MAC) recommendation to appoint Mason Wilson-Tanev to the licensed midwife member position, and appoint Dr. Kenneth James to the licensed physician member position effective May 20, 2023, for a three-year term that will expire June 30, 2026.

BACKGROUND:

Business and Professions Code section 2509 authorized the Board to create a MAC and appoint members. The MAC consists of three licensed midwives and three members of the public (one of which is a physician). The MAC is an advisory council that represents the midwifery community and the organizations/associations that represent licensed midwives. The MAC meetings are held in public to discuss topics of importance related to the practice of midwifery to make recommendations and provide advice to the Board.

The Board received one application for the licensed midwife position. The MAC voted at the March 30, 2023 meeting to recommend to the Board the appointment of Mason Wilson-Tanev to the licensed midwife position.

The Board received one application for the vacant licensed physician position on the MAC. The MAC voted at the March 30, 2023 meeting to recommend to the Board the appointment of Dr. Kenneth James to the licensed physician position.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve the MAC's recommendation to appoint Mason Wilson-Tanev and Dr. Kenneth James to serve on the MAC effective May 20, 2023.