

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

DATE REPORT ISSUED: January 7, 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 and discussion regarding the data collected on the Licensed Midwives Annual Report (LMAR);
- 6) Report from the Task Force on recommendations to the Board regarding vaginal birth after cesarean (VBAC) legislation;
- 7) Meeting dates for 2020;
- 8) Discussion on revisions to the Practice Guidelines for California Licensed Midwives;
- 9) Selection of a new member to the MAC (one midwife position); and
- 10) Discussion on how the MAC will prepare for future fall Medical Board meetings when legislation is proposed.

BACKGROUND:

The last MAC meeting was held on December 5, 2019. At this meeting the following actions were taken or the MAC was provided the following information:

- Created a Task Force to work on recommendations to the Board regarding VBAC legislation;
- Created a Task Force to determine if additional data should be collected for the LMAR;
- Received an update on midwifery legislation;
- Received an update on the Midwifery Program;
- Received an update on the LMAR/analysis of data and issues;
- Discussed various goals for the MAC;
- Received a report from the Task Force on Medi-Cal related issues;
- Received a report from the Task Force on revision of Guidelines for Midwives; and
- Received a report from the Task Force regarding challenges obtaining Social Security numbers and electronic filing of birth certificates.