



COUNTY OF MONTEREY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Elsa Jimenez, Director of Health

Administration Clinic Services Public Health
Behavioral Health Emergency Medical Services Public Administrator/Public Guardian
Environmental Health/Animal Services

Nationally Accredited for Providing Quality Health Services

March 16, 2021

Alex Martinez
Medi-Cal Behavioral Health Division
Department of Health Care Services
1500 Capitol Avenue, MS 2702
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Martinez,

After the latest competitive recruitment, I am excited to announce that Kathryn Eckert, MBA has accepted our offer and will be starting with the Monterey County Health Department on March 29, 2021 as our Behavioral Health Director. Ms. Eckert was most recently serving as the Assistant Director and Public Guardian/Conservator for the El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency while she also serving as a Continuing Professional Education Instructor at UC Davis, and as Principal Consultant of Eckert & Associates.

Prior to joining El Dorado, she held several executive leadership roles at Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency, Shasta County Health and Human Services Agency, and Nevada County. In these roles, she was instrumental in maximizing federal resources using local resources and solving structural financial deficits to ensure sustainability and expansion of services and programs. She has been a member of statewide county organizations for over 15 years. As a member of the California Behavior Health Directors Association, she developed a plan and advocated for establishment of a new workgroup (FARS) to ensure more coordination between counties and the State on financial issues. She holds a Master of Business Administration from UC Davis and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from CSU Chico.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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