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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT (Complete pages 1 through 3)

*Application for Appointment to: (Name of Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force)

First Five Children & Families Commission

*Category of membership for which you are applying:
(This information can be found on the news release announcing the opening.
You may apply for more than one category if more than one position is open.)

Commissioner

*Supervisorial District in which you reside:

1 Brad Wagenknecht

*Full Name

Laura Suzanne Keller

Date

1/18/2007

*Current Occupation (within the last twelve (12) months):

Director of Public Health Nursing

Current License (Professional or Occupational); Date of issue and/or expiration including status:

RN 395683, expires 2/29/2008 current
Nurse Practitioner 7535, expires 2/29/2008 current

Education/Experience: (A resume may be attached containing this and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating your application.)

Please see included CV

Community participation (nature of activity and community location):

Please see included CV

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on which you serve/have served:

Please see included CV

* Denotes Mandatory Entry Required

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Names, addresses and phone numbers of three (3) individuals familiar with your background:

*Name

*Name

*Address

*Address

*City

*State *Zip Code

*City

*State *Zip Code

*Telephone

*Telephone

*Name

*Address

*City

*State *Zip Code

*Telephone

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married (for Conflict of Interest purposes):

*Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute:

I have been working as a nurse in Public Health and Maternal-Child Health for the last 22 years as my career focus and area of passion. I believe very strongly that programs that use primary prevention, early intervention and relationship-based models of care are the most successful in building strong families and communities. All of our early investment in helping babies, children and families yields success for the individual, the family and society for the future. The work of the First Five Commission is centered on these concepts and has made huge contributions to the Napa community through the funding of programs that support these goals. I have experience and have participated in the creation and implementation of these types of programs and working as a collaborative partner in the community including the Touchpoints Research Project, Touchpoints Training Program, Therapeutic Child Care Center, Infant-Parent Mental Health Fellowship and Universal Perinatal Home Visiting Program. I feel these experiences, as well as, my knowledge and working partnerships in the community will contribute to my role as a commissioner. I am honored to be considered for this position.

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APPLICANTS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AN OATH OF OFFICE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT APPOINTEES MAY BE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND COUNTY CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS.

All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

The following information is provided in confidence to the extent that it will not be posted on the Internet, but may be used by the Board of Supervisors when making the appointment, or be used by the committee/commission/board/task force following appointment for purposes of communicating with the appointee.

Full Name

Laura Suzanne Keller

*e-mail Address

*Home Address

*Work Address

*City State *Zip Code

*City State Zip Code

*Telephone

Telephone

Please Read!

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Laura S. Keller

Residence:

Work: Napa County Health & Human Services
Public Health Division

Date of Birth: 19 January 1955

Place of Birth: California, USA

Education

1985 Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing
San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

1979 Baccalaureate of Science in Biology and Art
University of California Davis, Davis, CA

Certificate Programs

1995 San Jose State University
Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner
Education Programs Associates
San Jose, California

Licensure & Certificates

1985-Present Registered Nurse
California Board of Registered Nursing #RN395683

1995-Present Nurse Practitioner
California Board of Registered Nursing #7535

1995-Present Nurse Practitioner Furnishing License
California Board of Registered Nursing #7535

1995-Present National Certification Corporation for Obstetric, Gynecologic, and Neonatal Nursing
Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner

1985-Present Public Health Nurse Certificate
California Board of Registered Nursing

Selected Professional Positions

2006-2007 Director of Public Health Nursing (current position)
Napa County Health & Human Services Agency, Napa, CA

2001-2006 Assistant Public Health Manager Public Health Division
Napa County Health & Human Services Agency, Napa, CA

- 1995-2001 Health Services Nursing Supervisor Maternal Child Health Services
Napa County Health & Human Services Agency, Napa, CA
- 1994-1995 Clinical Services Nurse Practitioner
Napa County Health & Human Services Agency, Napa, CA
- 1988-1994 Public Health Nurse
Napa County Health & Human Services Agency, Napa, CA
- 1988 Public Health Nurse
Home Health Division, Solano County Health Department, Vallejo, CA
- 1988 Maternity Services Registered Nurse, per diem
Queen of the Valley Hospital, Napa, CA
- 1987-1988 Maternity Services Registered Nurse, per diem
St. Helena Hospital, St. Helena, CA
- 1986-1988 Postpartum & Gynecology Services Registered Nurse
San Francisco General Hospital, San Francisco, CA
- 1986 Newborn Nursery Registered Nurse
Kaiser, Walnut Creek, CA.
- 1985-1986 Graduate Nurse Technician
Veterans Administration Hospital, La Jolla, CA
- 1978-1980 Family Planning Counselor
Fifth Avenue Medical Group, San Diego, CA

Selected Special Training

- 2006 Introduction to the Incident Command System IS-00100
Basic Incident Command System for Federal Disaster Workers IS-00200
National Incident Management System (NIMS) an Introduction IS-00700
Sponsor: FEMA Emergency Management Institute
Intermediate Incident Command System ICS I-300
Sponsor: Fire Service Training & Education Program
- 2004 Infant-Parent Mental Health Fellowship Program-15-Month Fellowship Program
Dr. Ed Z. Tronick, Dr. Kristie Brandt
Sponsor: Child Development Unit Children's Hospital Boston, Harvard Medical School,
Napa County Health & Human Services
- 2001 Ages & Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) in Child Development Screening
Administration Training and Certification; Trainer: Sue Yockelson, PhD
Sponsor: University of Oregon, Eugene, OR; Host: Napa Co. Health & Human Services
- 2001 Clinical Neonatal Behavioral Assessment Scale (CLNBAS) Training & Certification
Kevin Nugent, PhD, Susan O'Brien, MD & Cynthia O'Hare, RN, MPH
Sponsor: Harvard Children's Hospital Child Development Unit; Host: Napa Co. H&HS
- 1998 Assessment, Diagnosis & Intervention of Infants and Young Children with Developmental Disorders
Stanley I. Greenspan, M.D. Host: San Mateo County Office of Education
Sponsor: No. California Interdisciplinary Council on Developmental & Learning Disorders
- 1997 Touchpoints Training Program for Individuals
T. Berry Brazelton, M.D. & the Child Development Unit Faculty, Boston, MA

- Sponsor: Harvard's Children's Hospital Child Development Unit
- 1996 Touchpoints Project Training, Napa Valley Team
Sponsor: Queen of the Valley Hospital, Host: Napa Co. H&HS
- 1995 Basic Counselor Training
Sacramento, CA, Sponsors: Department of Health Services, Office of AIDS
- 1995 Nursing Child Assessment Satellite Training & Inter-rater Reliability Certification
Univ. of Washington in Napa, CA; Sponsors: Directors of Public Health Nursing
- 1995 Pregnancy Counseling Training
San Francisco, CA, Sponsors: Center for Health Training
- 1995 Phlebotomy Training
San Francisco, CA, Sponsors: STD/HIV Prevention Training Center and Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Awards & Honors

- 1985 Outstanding Clinical Performance in Nursing Achievement Award, San Diego State University, School of Nursing
- 1985 Outstanding Personal and Professional Development Achievement Award, San Diego State University, School of Nursing
- 1985 Outstanding Student Participation Achievement Award, San Diego State University, School of Nursing
- 1985 San Diego State University Scholarship Foundation Award

Memberships in Professional Societies

- Sigma Theta Tau - International Professional Nursing Honor Society

Selected Committee Memberships

- 2004-Present Welcome Every Baby Home Visiting Committee
- 2000-2006 Therapeutic Child Care Center Advisory Committee
- 1999-2000 Event Co-Chairperson for *The Nature & Nurture of Brain Development: Applying Brain Research to Early Childhood Development* with Dr. Bruce Perry, 3/10/00, Napa, CA
- 1999-date Perinatal Council, Napa County Health and Human Services (Co-Chairperson)
- 1998-2001 Napa County Health Access Committee
- 1997-1999 Childbearing Years Council, Queen of the Valley Hospital, Napa, CA
- 1996-Present Touchpoints Community Team Committee, Napa, CA
- 1996-1997 Event Committee for Maternal Postpartum Depression Seminar; 9/19/97; Napa, CA
Beyond Baby Blues: Postpartum Depression & Other Mood Disorders
- 1995-2001 Children at Risk Team Update, Napa County Health and Human Services (Chairperson)
- 1992-1994 Event Committee for the Brazelton National Seminar Series Conference
Parent-Professional Partnerships: Empowering Families for the Future and An Evening with T. Berry Brazelton; April 18 & 19, 1994; Napa, CA
- 1993-Present Parenting Project of Napa Valley Member

Publications

- a. Brandt, KA, Murphy, JM, Brazelton, TB, Keller, L, Pitman, S, Rankin, E & Longoria, T (2001). *Touchpoints Approach to Pediatric Clinical Practice: The Impact of Home Visiting on Health & Wellness Indicators for Mother and Baby*. (Manuscript pending publication)
- b. Duckworth, DW, Eichlin, TD, & Biological Illustrations: Keller, L (1978) *Occasional Papers in Entomology, The Clearwing Moths of California (Lepidoptera Sesiidae)*

Selected Recent Presentations

- 2003 Ongoing Touchpoints Community & National Level Trainings, Napa, CA
- to Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints trainings held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- 2006

- 2002 • Brazelton Touchpoints Center (BTC) speaker for Santa Barbara County, CA Children & Families Commission and Welcome Every Baby (WEB) Home Visiting Project Jan 9 & 10, 2002 in Solvang, CA; Conference Title: An Overview of Touchpoints featuring T. Berry Brazelton, MD; Presentation Title: Touchpoints - The Home Visiting Experience in Napa, CA; Other conference speakers included BTC Faculty: T. Berry Brazelton, MD, Josh Sparrow, MD, Jayne Singer, PhD and Ann Stadtler, RN, MSN
- Touchpoints Faculty-Level Training, Jan 11, 12 & 13, 2002; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints FLT in Napa, CA with co-trainers: T. Berry Brazelton, MD, Josh Sparrow, MD, John Hornstein, PhD, and Ann Stadtler, RN, MSN from the Brazelton Touchpoints Center and 3 co-trainers from Napa
- Napa County CARES Project Child Care Provider Forum; Napa Valley College, Napa, CA 2/24/02; Training Title: Introduction to Brazelton's Touchpoints Model
- Touchpoints Community & National Level Training, Napa, CA; 3/4/02-3/6/02; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community Level Training, Napa, CA: 4/26/02, 4/27/02 & 4/28/02; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community Level Training, Napa, CA, 8/7/02, 8/8/02 & 8/9/02, Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community & National Level Training, Napa CA, 9/25/02, 9/26/02 & 9/27/02, Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services

- 2001 • Touchpoints Community & National Level Training, Napa, CA; 3/7-9/01; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community Level Training, Napa, CA; 4/11-13/01; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community Level Training, Napa, CA, 5/23, 5/24, & 5/25/01, Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community Level Training, Napa, CA; 8/1-3/01; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints National Individual Level Training, Napa, CA 9/26-9/28/01; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Touchpoints Community Level Training, Napa, CA; 10/17-19/01; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa, CA at Napa County Health & Human Services
- Napa County Children & Families (Prop 10) Commission School Readiness Forum 11/14/01; Panel Discussion: Health Issues in School Readiness

- 2000 • Touchpoints Community Individual Level Training, Napa, CA; 9/6-8/00; Co-trainer for 3-day Touchpoints training held in Napa
- Touchpoints National Individual Level Training, Napa, CA; 9/27-29/00; Co-trainer for 3-day training held in Napa for the Harvard Child Development Units Brazelton Touchpoints Center

- 1999 • Touchpoints Community Individual Level Training, Napa, CA, 11/19, 11/30 & 12/10, Co-trainer for 3-day training held in Napa

- 1998 • Infant Mental Health Development Project/WestEd Consulting, Burbank, CA 10/23/98; workshop speaker
Presentation Title: Serving Children Who are Medically Fragile
- Infant Mental Health Development Project/WestEd Consulting, South San Francisco, CA 11/6/98 workshop speaker; Presentation Title: Serving Children Who are Medically Fragile

Research Projects

- 1/98 -date The Relationship of Maternal Prenatal Bio-Psycho-Social Risk Factors and Child Bio-Psycho Social Indicators at Age 3-6 Years; Primary Sponsor: Napa County Health & Human Services
Principle Investigators: Kristie Brandt, CNM, ND & J. Michael Murphy, Ed.D.
Co-Investigators: Sharrie Pitman, RN, BSN & Laura Keller, RN, BSN, NP; This project is investigating the relationship of maternal prenatal scores on the Comprehensive Perinatal Risk Assessment Tool (CPRAT) to child scores age 3-6 years on bio-psycho-social health indicators.
- 1/96 - date Napa County System of Care for Severely Emotionally Disabled Children
Touchpoints Prenatal and Parenting Home Visiting Project
Primary Sponsor: System of Care & Napa Co. Health & Human Services; Principle Investigators: Kristie Brandt, ND & J. Michael Murphy, EdD; Co-Investigators: Sharrie Pitman, RN, BSN, Laura Keller, BSN, NP & Terry Longoria, MPA; Project is a comparative study investigating the relationship of multi-disciplinary Touchpoints-based home visiting interventions in prenatal and early postpartum periods with indicators of attachment and development in 6-month-olds.
- 1/78 – 3/78 The History and Evolution of English Midwifery
Primary Sponsor: President's Undergraduate Fellowship, University of California Davis
Principal Investigator: Laura Keller, awarded a research grant to study the history and evolution of English midwifery while studying abroad in England.

Project Management

- 2004-date Manager of the Universal Perinatal Home Visiting Grant, Welcome Every Baby, awarded by the Napa Children & Families Commission to provide Touchpoints nurse home visits to babies and families of Napa County residents. A collaborative project between NCHHS Public Health, Queen of the Valley Hospital, St Helena Hospital and Cope Family Center. Activities include grant writing, ongoing project management, training, and grant reporting and project evaluation.
- 2001-date Manager of the Touchpoints Training Grant awarded by the Children and Families Commission to provide six Touchpoints trainings per year in the community. A collaborative project with Napa County Health & Human Services, Napa County Office of Education, and Harvest Pediatrics. Activities include grant writing, ongoing project management, training, and grant reporting and project evaluation.
- 2001-date Assistant managing of on-going programs for Napa Co. Health & Human Services Public Health Division, including: communicable disease and CD field public health nursing, child & travelers' immunizations, MCH field public health nursing, Napa-Solano Regional Public Health Lab receiver site, Perinatal Outreach, MCH programs, clinic services (family planning, pregnancy testing & counseling, STD clinic, and HIV testing & counseling), childhood injury prevention programs, and Touchpoints training.
- 2001-2002 Completed grant application and grant activities for International Rotary Foundation Grant for an incentive program for children receiving immunizations in Napa County Health & Human Services Immunization Clinic. Objectives of grant were to increase immunization rates and increase knowledge among parents regarding the importance of immunizations.