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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Susan Ingalls for Minh Tran - County Counsel  
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**SUBJECT:** Ordinance Amending Section 2.70.030 (Solano-Napa Commission on Medical Care) 2nd reading

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Second reading and adoption of an ordinance amending section 2.70.030 (Membership of Commission) in Chapter 2.70 (Solano-Napa Commission on Medical Care) of the Napa County Code by Expanding the Criteria for Commission Membership to include the Chief Executive Officer of a Federally Qualified Health Center.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) is a managed care health plan responsible for providing health care services to certain residents of Solano, Napa, Yolo, Sonoma, Marin and Mendocino, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou and Trinity Counties, including residents who are covered by the Medi-Cal system. The ordinance will authorize expanding the criteria for Commission membership to also include the Chief Executive Officer of a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). There is only one FQHC in Napa County, Ole Health, Inc.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?                      No

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

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### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) is a non-profit statutory entity formed pursuant to the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14087.54. As such, PHC is a "health insuring organization" which is a legal subdivision of the State of California. Napa County joined PHC in November, 1997, when the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 1127, adding a new Chapter 2.70 to the Napa County Code. Following Napa County, Yolo County joined PHC in 2000; Sonoma County joined in 2010; and Marin and Mendocino Counties joined in 2011. In 2013, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou and Trinity Counties joined PHC. As PHC expanded, the Board of Supervisors passed and amended Ordinance 1173 to authorize admission of the additional counties to the health plan.

The governing body of PHC is currently comprised of members appointed by the boards of supervisors of the member counties (the PHC Commission). The PHC Commission, to ensure fair representation of each county while preserving the Commission's ability to conduct business in a manageable way, adopted the recommendation of the governance committee for a "congressional model" providing for member counties to be allocated a graduating number of seats on the PHC Commission, depending on the number of Medi-Cal beneficiaries enrolled in each county. In 2013, each county became entitled to one commission seat for up to ten thousand Medi-Cal beneficiaries covered by PHC; and additional seats for up to twenty-five thousand, up to forty thousand, and for more than forty thousand beneficiaries. At the present time, Napa County has two seats on the PHC Commission. An additional Commissioner would be allotted if Napa County reached 25,001 Medi-Cal beneficiaries; another at 40,001 beneficiaries and a final Commissioner if over 55,000 beneficiaries were receiving healthcare coverage through PHC.

As of December 2016, PHC was responsible for managing health care for more than 565,000 individuals in fourteen counties, including approximately 29,000 Napa County residents. Funding for Medi-Cal coverage is provided through a contract between PHC and the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). PHC's budgeted revenues currently exceed \$2.4 billion per year.

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On December 20, 2016, the Board conducted a public hearing and introduced the ordinance, read the title, waived reading the balance of the ordinance and declared its intention to adopt the ordinance at a regularly scheduled hearing or as soon thereafter as possible. The ordinance is now before the Board for formal adoption.

County Counsel recommends adoption of the Ordinance.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

A . Ordinance Amending Section 2.70.030

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi