

MEMORANDUM

DATE	June 1, 2017
TO	Psychology Board Members
FROM	 Antonette Sorrick Executive Officer
SUBJECT	Executive Officer Report: Organizational Update 9(a-b)

Background:

The attached report is provided to the Board on at each Board Meeting. Included in this item are the following:

- DCA Update
- Board of Psychology Update

Action Requested:

This item is for informational purposes only.

Department of Consumer Affairs Update

Administrative

In February, Governor Brown appointed Alexis Podesta as Secretary at the Business, Consumer, Services, and Housing Agency (BCSH), where she had served as Undersecretary since 2015. Last week, by unanimous vote (5 - 0), the Senate Rules Committee confirmed the appointment of Secretary Podesta. The Committee's vote advances the Secretary's confirmation to the Senate floor for final approval.

Also in February, former Department Director Awet Kidane accepted a new opportunity. Governor Brown appointed Dean Grafilo as Director. Prior to his appointment, Director Grafilo had been Chief of Staff to Assembly Member Bonta since 2012. This is a homecoming for Director Grafilo, for he is a former Commissioner on the California State Athletic Commission. Director Grafilo joined the Department on March 20, 2017 and has held several meetings with Executive Officers and Bureau Chiefs. A date for the next Quarterly Director's meeting will be distributed soon.

On May 19, Governor Brown announced the appointment of Deborah Hoffman as Undersecretary at the Business, Consumer Services & Housing Agency (BCSH). Ms. Hoffman has served as a Deputy Press Secretary in the Governor's Office since 2015.

State Budget

Last month, the Governor released his proposed changes to the 2017-18 State Budget, also known as the May Revise. The deadline for the Legislature to approve the State budget is June 15, 2017.

DCA Strategic Plan

Later this month, the Department will release its new Strategic Plan. Similar to the Psychology Board's Strategic Plan, the Department's Executive Team developed the new plan with the assistance of DCA's SOLID, outlining the Department's goals & objectives for the next four years. When the new plan is released, DCA will e-mail it to all board members, so please look out for it.

DCA Leadership Training

The Department launched its new Future Leadership Development program in May 2017. Expanding upon the Department's current Leadership Academy training, the Department is looking to help develop the best and brightest among the Department and its boards and bureaus into its future leaders. The program will include executive mentoring, specific leadership training, and project management. The program is being led by a Steering Committee of Department and board executives. A special thank you to EO Sorrick for her participation on the Steering Committee and help guiding this new program.

Required Board Member Trainings

Board Members are required to complete this training within one year of appointment and re-appointment to a board. This is one-day training in Sacramento that details the important functions and responsibilities of board members. Three Orientation Trainings are available this year -- June 20, September 27, and November 15.

Additionally, 2017 is a **mandatory** Sexual Harassment Prevention Training year for the Department of Consumer Affairs. This means all employees AND Board Members are required to complete this training in 2017, **even if** it was completed last year. This training is online, interactive and can be completed at your convenience. If you have questions on this or any of the required trainings during your tenure as a board member, please contact Board & Bureau Relations for assistance.

As always, if the Department can be of service to the Board, please let us know.
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Board of Psychology Update

Staffing Update

Authorized Positions: 21.30
 BL 12-03 (999 Blanket) Positions: 1.20
 Temp Help: 6.00

New Hires	
Classification	Program
Licensing/BreEZe Coordinator	Licensing
CE/Renewals Coordinator	Central Services

Promotions
None

Other
None

Vacancies
Renewals Technician (Central Services): Interviewing Candidates Seasonal Technician (Licensing): Reviewing Applications