



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
Inter-Departmental Correspondence  
Board of Supervisors



**Date:** November 7, 2016  
**Board Meeting Date:** December 6, 2016  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Supervisor Dave Pine

**Subject:** Appointment to the Mental Health & Substance Abuse Recovery Commission

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommendation for the appointment of Cherry Leung, representing Public Member, to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Recovery Commission, for a term ending September 30, 2019.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Mental Health and Substance Abuse Recovery Commission reviews and evaluates the County's mental health and substance abuse disorders needs, services, facilities and special problems. The Commission advises the Board of Supervisors and the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Director on any aspect of the local mental health and substance abuse disorders services and programs. They also review and approve procedures used to ensure citizen and professional involvement at all stages of the planning process. Submission of the annual report on the needs and performance of the County's behavioral health and recovery services system are submitted on an annual basis.

**DISCUSSION:**

Cherry Leung is a resident of Millbrae seeking appointment to this commission as a Public Member. She is an assistant professor at USCF School of Nursing, and has a background pediatric health care with a focus on adolescent mental health.

This appointment contributes to the 2025 Shared Vision statement of a Collaborative Community. Our diverse population works well together to build strong communities, effective government and a prosperous economy, civic engagement – including voting, public service, charitable giving, volunteerism, and participation in public discussions of important issues – is uniformly high among the diverse population of San Mateo County.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None.