

# Memo

**To:** Members, Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Rich Gordon *RG*  
**Date:** 09/26/01  
**Re:** Mental Health Board Membership

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## RECOMMENDATION:

1. It is recommended that **Raja Mitry** of Burlingame be appointed to the Mental Health Advisory Board. Raja Mitry will fill a vacancy for "Other Public Citizen" and the term of the appointment will be until December 31, 2004.
2. It is recommended that **Irene Kolbisen** of Half Moon Bay be appointed to the Mental Health Advisory Board to fill a vacancy for "Family Member". The term of this appointment will be until December 31, 2004.
3. It is recommended that **Marianne Maneja**, a current member of the Mental Health Advisory Board, be moved from the category of "Other Public Citizen" to the category of "Family Member". Ms. Maneja's term will remain the same with an expiration date of December 31, 2003.

## BACKGROUND:

The Mental Health Advisory Board exists to review and evaluate the County's mental health needs, services, facilities, and special programs. The Board advises the Board of Supervisors and the Mental Health Director on any aspect of the mental health program.

There are fifteen positions on the Mental Health Board. Eight of these are for consumers or a family member of a consumer. Another four positions are for mental health professionals and the final three positions are for other public citizens.

The candidates proposed for appointment have been recommended by the Executive Committee of the Mental Health Board. I concur with their recommendations and respectfully request that you join me in confirming Raja Mitry and Irene Kolbisen as members of the Mental Health Advisory Board. I also request that we change the membership category of Marianne Maneja.

**Cc:** Gale Bataille, Mental Health Director