

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
PROFESSIONALS AND OTHER SPECIFIED PERSONS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS
5150 AND 5585.50 OF THE WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE**

WHEREAS, the Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act, as codified in Sections 5150 and 5585.50 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, provides that designated members of the attending staff of a facility designated by the County of San Diego (County) and approved by the California Department of Mental Health as a facility for 72-hour treatment and evaluation (LPS designated facility), designated members of mobile crisis teams, including those operated by LPS designated facilities, or other professional persons designated by the County may, upon probable cause, take, or cause to be taken, specified persons suffering from mental disorders into custody and place them in LPS designated facilities for 72-hour treatment and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego desires that the Local Behavioral Health Director or Local Behavioral Health Director Designee designate such persons in accordance with the criteria and guidelines set forth in this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego that the Local Behavioral Health Director or Local Behavioral Health Director Designee is hereby authorized to designate, on behalf of the County, attending staff of LPS designated facilities, members of mobile crisis teams, including those operated by LPS designated facilities, and other professional persons to take, or cause to be taken, into custody persons suffering from a mental disorder in accordance with the provisions of Sections 5150 and 5585.50 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Local Behavioral Health Director or Local Mental Health Director Designee has the authority and is qualified to designate/certify the following persons to initiate 72-hour detentions pursuant to Sections 5150 and 5585.50 of the Welfare and Institutions Code:

- a) Licensed psychologists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Registered Nurses, and licensed Marriage and Family Therapists on the attending staff of an LPS designated facility; and
- b) Psychiatrists on the attending staff of an LPS designated facility; and
- c) Emergency room physicians who are credentialed by or under contract to serve in the emergency rooms of licensed general acute care hospitals; and
- d) Persons designated under paragraph a) above who are members of a "mobile crisis team" operated by an LPS designated facility; and
- e) Persons who are members of the County-contracted Psychiatric Emergency Response Teams (PERT);
- f) Persons who are members of Behavioral Health Services approved mobile behavioral health crisis intervention response teams; and
- g) Persons who are members of County Aging and Independence Services Senior Teams; and
- h) County Behavioral Health Services staff who are members of a designated Juvenile Forensics treatment team.

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IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that of the professional persons specified in this resolution, the Local Behavioral Health Director or Local Behavioral Health Director Designee shall designate and authorize such professional persons to initiate 72-hour detentions pursuant to Sections 5150 and 5585.50 of the Welfare and Institutions Code only if the professional persons meet the following criteria:

- a) The professional person shall be appropriately licensed within his or her discipline in the State of California and act only within the scope of his or her practice; and
- b) The professional person will have successfully completed training and testing approved by the Local Mental Health Director or Local Mental Health Director Designee related to Welfare and Institutions Code, Sections 5150 and 5585.50 detention process; and
- c) With the exception of emergency room physicians, all designated professional persons must possess a minimum of two (2) years' recent, clinical experience in a mental health setting, treating clients who are seriously mentally ill or emotionally disturbed per State criteria.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: Kyle Sand
Senior Deputy County Counsel

ON MOTION of Supervisor Gaspar, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the above Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors, County of San Diego, State of California, on this 10th day of September 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher, Desmond

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of San Diego)^{SS}

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original Resolution entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: E. Rods
Chrystal Rodriguez, Deputy



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