



COUNTY OF SONOMA

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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 8/25/2026

To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): County Executive's Office

Staff Name and Phone Number: David Guhin 707-565-2431

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisory District(s): Countywide

Title:

CMSP Governing Board Group 3 Supervisor Election

Recommended Action:

Authorize the Chair to sign the County of Sonoma ballot affirming the vote for Sonoma County Supervisor Chris Coursey for County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board, Supervisor Representative for Group 3 Counties, for a term effective immediately following the election and ending on December 31, 2027.

Executive Summary:

This item seeks Board approval of a vote for Sonoma County Supervisor Chris Coursey for the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board, Supervisor Representative for Group 3 Counties, for a term effective immediately following the election and ending on December 31, 2027. □

Discussion:

The County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board is composed of three County Supervisors, three County Executive Officers, two County Health Officials, two Welfare Directors, and one member who shall be the Secretary of the Health and Welfare Agency, or the secretary's designee, and who shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member, from the 35 member counties. The Governing Board administers the County Medical Services Program, which provides health care services to indigent adults in the 35 counties.

<https://cmspcounties.org/>

In fulfillment of its statutory responsibility, the Governing Board has regularized the terms of its Board. California Welfare & Institutions Code section 16809.4(d)(1)(A) provides that the three county supervisor members shall be elected by the boards of supervisors of the CMSP counties, with each county having one vote and convened at the call of the chair of the governing board.

Group 3 Counties include Marin, Napa, Sonoma, and Solano counties. This seat is currently held by Solano County Supervisor John Vasquez, who is resigning. In the event of a vacancy, the appointment of a successor shall be made as soon as reasonably practicable and the successor member shall serve the unexpired term of the predecessor member. Accordingly, the term for this seat will take effect immediately following the election and end on December 31, 2027.

Sonoma County Supervisor Chris Coursey is one of two candidates for the position. The other candidate is Solano County Supervisor Cassandra James. This item recommends Supervisor Coursey for the position.

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Ballots are due by Friday, August 28, 2026. Either Supervisor must receive a majority vote of the CMSP Group 3 Counties to be elected the new CMSP Governing Board member for Group 3.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Prior Board Actions:

None

FISCAL SUMMARY

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

N/A

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

Attachments:

Ballot

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

None