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FROM	Elaine Yamaguchi Executive Officer
SUBJECT	Executive Officer's Report: November 2025

Greetings, Board Members.

### **Board Vacancies**

The Board has a vacancy for one licensed psychiatric technician member to be appointed by the Governor. There are also two public member seats open, one of which is the Senate's appointment. If you know of any strong candidates, please feel free to give them my contact information.

#### **Budget and Finance (Agenda Item 5A)**

We have attached the Board's most current Fund Condition report and Assistant Executive Officer Mark Ito will report the Board's fiscal health.

# **BVNPT Fee Study (Agenda Item 5B)**

Per the Board's direction at the August 15, 2025, meeting, staff has started the process of preparing a scope of the possible fee study project and begun outreach to possible interested parties.

## Updates on Respiratory Care Board (RCB) Regulations (Agenda Item 7AI)

The RCB's October 24, 2025, meeting was attended by a broad coalition of stakeholders who spoke to the items pertaining to the RCB's regulation regarding basic respiratory tasks, California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 16, section 1399.365. The public comment period lasted nearly five hours.

Some of the key issues still on the table for BVNPT and many of the stakeholders are the tasks themselves, especially suctioning, and the determination of where LVNs can and cannot perform these tasks. There will be considerable amounts of information forthcoming, and staff will provide updates. RCB's next meeting could be as soon as mid-November.

#### **Board Calendar (Agenda Item 7A2)**

The attached calendar reflects the discussion regarding the reduction of the Board's meetings from four times to three in 2027 and shifting the meeting days from Thursday and Friday to Tuesday and Wednesday. It will require Board approval.

### Regulations Update

Staff and Regulations Counsel continue to work on regulations to implement the Board's authority to create a retired license program and a cite and fine system for the VN and PT schools. In addition, the Education Team has been working on a comprehensive update of the school program approval and oversight regulations. We hope to have at least one of these packages presented to the Board at the November meeting.

#### Annual Rulemaking Calendar (Agenda Item 9B)

This item is included in the meeting materials. The annual calendar is required of all state agencies and must provide the entity's planned regulatory actions.

### Possible Legislative Concepts

Although the 2025 Legislative Session has just concluded, it's never too early to start the discussion on potential legislation for BVNPT in 2026. Among other things, the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee has sent the questionnaire for the annual Committee technical clean-up bill.

#### Discussion of Retired Licensee Clean-Up Language (Agenda Item 9D)

This language is intended to make some clarifications that will assist in the proposed regulations. It was discussed and approved by the Board at the May 16, 2025, meeting, but did not meet the requirements for the Senate's technical clean-up bill. The memo from the May meeting is attached for the Board's discussion for a possible legislative request in 2026.

# Discussion of Amendments to New Program Approval Process (Agenda Item 9E)

This language is intended to make some clarifications in the Board's New Program Approval processes, with the goal of refining the required time frames to improve efficiency.

# Discussion of Amendment to Scope of Practice - Emergency (Agenda Item 9F)

This item is intended to provide the Board with some background, possible options and analysis regarding respiratory care scope of practice in emergencies.

## State Leadership Accountability Act and Risk Assessment

The State Leadership Accountability Act (SLAA) was enacted to reduce waste and strengthen internal control systems within California state agencies. It requires each agency to maintain effective internal controls and to conduct biennial evaluations of these systems. Agencies are required to provide quarterly progress reports.

The new reporting cycle has begun. BVNPT has submitted the initial draft of the report to be posted by December 31, 2025.

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As a side note, AEO Ito has been working to organize the Board's Emergency Response Team and will be practicing the procedures. The DCA has also been providing tools for emergency response to all the Boards.

# Closing

Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions or suggestions, or if you need help with anything. We're looking forward to the meeting.