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Welcome, Kinzi Richholt, RN ACBH Chief Nursing Officer

I am pleased to announce the appointment of our Chief Nursing Officer to the Office of the Medical Director! Ms. Kinzi Richholt officially joined the Office of the Medical Director team on August 22, 2022. Since then, she has been actively engaged in learning more about our department, Agency, and system; and the important work occurring across our County.

Kinzi Richholt, RN, is an experienced Bay Area health care professional with more than 25 years of experience, overseeing nursing services and operations for acute care, inpatient rehabilitation, outpatient clinics, skilled nursing facilities and psychiatric facilities including nursing services at John George Psychiatric Hospital. Ms. Richholt was the System Chief Nurse Executive at Alameda Health System where she implemented best practices that led to improved clinical, financial, and patient experience outcomes.

Ms. Richholt is a successful leader who brings broad familiarity with the Alameda County Healthcare landscape. She has proven executive expertise in building strong nursing organizations at all levels that are outcome driven, fiscally responsible and professionally accountable. She is a healthcare leader whose strong background in quality provides an excellent foundation in improving patient experience and achieving organizational success.

I welcome Kinzi Richholt, not only as a leader in nursing services, but as a broader executive healthcare leader and partner. It is my goal that with Ms. Richholt's experience and effort, we will be able to strengthen the role of nurses and the structure around nursing services and integrated care throughout ACBH. As our department faces new opportunities related to effective implementation of California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM), clinical service development in correctional settings, and integrated services across our system, Ms. Richholt will be a valuable partner in leadership and planning.

Please join me **our team** in welcoming, **Kinzi Richholt** as the newest team member within our department!

- Aaron Chapman, MD, ACBH Chief Medical Officer

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