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### **BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSING AND PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS APPOINTS NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

SACRAMENTO – The California State Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT) announces the appointment of Dr. Kameka L. Brown as its new Executive Officer, effective March 2, 2016.

Dr. Brown comes to the Board with over a decade of nursing and administrative experience. She has held several prominent roles within the United States Department of Veterans Affairs including Chief Nurse of Education and Professional Development, and Nurse Practitioner Director. Prior to joining Veterans Affairs, Dr. Brown served as Clinical Program Consultant with Premera Blue Cross. Dr. Brown earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Nursing Research from the University of Illinois, a Master of Business Administration from Roosevelt University, a Master of Science in Nursing from DePaul University, and a Family Nurse Practitioner Post Master Certificate from Northern Illinois University.

“Dr. Brown has a proven history of dynamic and transformational leadership at local, State, and Federal levels,” said Board President Samantha James-Perez. “The Board is confident her experience will be of great value to achieving our strategic goals and enhancing our daily mission of consumer protection. We are equally confident that the Board’s licensees, community partners, and California consumers will greatly benefit from Dr. Brown’s service as Executive Officer.”

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The BVNPT is responsible for protecting the public and oversees two licensure programs, each with separate statues, regulations, budget authority, curriculum requirements, examinations and staff. The Executive Officer manages the Board staff and is responsible for carrying out the policies of the eleven-member Board and for planning, organizing and directing the activities of the Board in areas of Administration, Enforcement and Licensure. The Executive Officer also enforces the overall policies established by the Board relating to Board programs established by law. The Executive Officer is hired by the Board and serves at its pleasure.

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