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CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY APPOINTS NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SACRAMENTO – The California State Board of Pharmacy (Board) announces the appointment of Anne Sodergren as its new executive officer, effective January 22, 2020. Ms. Sodergren replaces former executive officer Virginia Herold who retired in 2018.

Ms. Sodergren has over 25 years of experience with the Board, having served in various capacities. Most recently she has served as the Board's Interim Executive Officer and over the last 10 years as the Assistant Executive Officer where she had leadership responsibility for the day to day operations of the Board and worked in partnership with its 13-member board in carrying out their objectives. Most notably, Ms. Sodergren was responsible for expanding licensure options and new licensing provisions that created additional options for pharmacy related services within the hospital setting. This allowed the Board's regulatory scheme to keep pace with the proliferation of hospital services.

Ms. Sodergren's lengthy tenure at the Board has afforded her significant experience in the regulation and enforcement of the Pharmacy Law in California, as well as directing the Board's consumer protection mandate through consumer education campaigns. She has extensive experience in policy development, legislation, strategic planning, budgets and personnel management.

Ms. Sodergren received her bachelor's degree in communication studies from CSU, Sacramento in 1992.

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