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## Board of Supervisors appoints new Public Health Officer

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors this week appointed Dr. Margaret Beed to serve as the county's Public Health Officer.

Dr. Beed will work closely with Public Health Director Margaret Smith within the county's Department of Public Health to create and supervise programs to address the health needs of the county's diverse population.

Dr. Beed was most recently the Medical Director for Primary Provider Management, a medical management company in Orange County, and had previously served as the Chief Medical Officer for the Orange County Health Care Agency.

Dr. Beed has also served as Southern California Medical Director for United Healthcare, Chief Medical Officer for CalOptima, and as a lead medical consultant for the state Department of Health Services.

During the 1980s, Dr. Beed established and ran a successful private pediatric practice in Victorville. She earned her M.D. from the University of Illinois in Chicago.

"The county is fortunate to have someone with Dr. Beed's extensive qualifications fill this vital position," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Paul Biane.

Dr. Beed replaces Dr. Eric Frykman, who left the county on good terms to accept a similar position in Riverside County.