



# Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency

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## Press Release

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### **BOARD APPOINTS INTERIM PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER**

On Tuesday, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approved the appointment of Dr. Craig McMillan as Interim Public Health Officer, effective February 2 through June 30, 2010. Dr. McMillan will be taking over the post formerly occupied by Dr. Marvin Trotter, and will be responsible for all duties of a Public Health Officer as required by the Health and Safety Code.

In addition to his standard duties, Dr. McMillan will be working with Agency staff to evaluate the role and responsibilities of the Health Officer position. Once a model is developed for the permanent Public Health Officer position, he will assist with recruitment. Most recently, Dr. McMillan has served as the Health Officer for Lake County and the interim Health Officer for San Luis Obispo County. In both of those appointments he successfully accomplished the recruitment of a permanent Health Officer.

Dr. McMillan's qualifications make him an excellent candidate for this position: he is a pediatrician with a Masters degree in Public Health, and his areas of expertise include infectious disease and disaster preparedness.

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