



December 12, 2024

President Laurie Green and Honorable Members of the Health Commission:

We thank for your collaboration and guidance in updating the Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center Governing Body Bylaws, which were last revised in 2012. Based on your comments made at the December 3, 2024 Health Commission meeting we have updated the document to clearly define “post-acute” care and respond to concerns from the Commissioners and the community.

The proposed bylaw amendments ensure the document reflects current practice at Laguna Honda and aligns with regulatory requirements.

Below is a summary of the key changes:

All changes have also been provided in a “redlined” version. The following are highlighted in yellow in the attached document:

- Preamble (page 1): Added the following preamble: WHEREAS, Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center is a general acute care hospital and distinct part skilled nursing facility that provides acute care, skilled nursing and rehabilitation services, and long-term care; and”
- Preamble (page 1): Added the following preamble: WHEREAS, these governing body bylaws apply to the entire facility, including its acute and skilled nursing beds as well as other services provided at the facility.
- Definitions (page 1): Changed the title of LHH CEO to LHH CEO and Licensed Nursing Home Administrator and qualifications to include The LHH Chief Executive officer shall hold a Nursing Home Administrator License. (Qualifications for this position can be found in Article VII: Hospital Administration on page 8.)
- Definitions (page 2): Added definition of post-acute to include long term care, skilled nursing care, and rehabilitation services.
- Article III (page 2): Mission, Purpose, Vision, Values of the Hospital: Updated the values to include all 8 values to be consistent with the LHH policy 01-00: Value(s), Mission, and Vision Statement.”
- Article IV (page 3): Governance: Updated Section 1A to include “unless rejected by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Supervisors.



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We would like to emphasize that:

1. The current LHH Governing Body Bylaws must be updated because they are outdated and not in alignment with Laguna Honda practice or policy.
2. The proposed amendments to the bylaws do *not* reflect a change to the care or services provided at Laguna Honda, the Laguna Honda admissions policy, nor do they change the length of service provision for any Laguna Honda resident.

We thank you for your ongoing collaboration and are available to answer any additional questions.

Sincerely,

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