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Board of Health VP Retires; Search Begins to Fill Two Vacancies

BREWSTER, NY—Carol L. Weber, RN, has retired from her position as Vice President of the Putnam County Board of Health, leaving an opening on the seven-member Board for a lay person. The board serves in an advisory capacity to the county's Commissioner of Health, Allen Beals, MD, JD, who has led the health department since 2012. The by-laws dictate that at least one legislator and three physicians are members of the board. The remaining four are laypersons; all must be Putnam County residents. A second opening for a physician is anticipated at year's end.

Ms. Weber has been a member of the Board of Health since 1992. She contributed on important projects that have made significant improvements to the health and safety of Putnam residents. The ban on smoking in public places, the privatization of the County's homecare specialists, the fight for increased funding, and the move to enlist a medical doctor as Health Commissioner...these were some of the enhancements championed by Carol over the years.

Legislator and BOH member Sam Oliverio, chairman of the Health and Safety Committee, called Ms. Weber "a true hero for her decades-long insistence that the health and safety of residents come first before all else. She will be sorely missed for her dedication and friendship, and for her contribution to so many other worthy Board of Health endeavors."

Dr. Beals commended her for “not only an invaluable contribution over the years, but also her recent guidance to me as I assumed leadership of the health department.”

The search for two candidates—a layperson and a physician—begins immediately. Board responsibilities include attendance at a monthly meeting, held from 6 to 7 p.m. on a Monday evening at the Health Department’s main office at One Geneva Road in Brewster. Interested candidates should forward a letter of interest and resume or CV to: BOH Search, Health Department, One Geneva Road, Brewster, NY 10509. Alternatively materials may be emailed to: karen.yates@putnamcountyny.gov

Other current BOH members include Daniel C. Doyle, DMD, President; Joseph Avanzato, MD, Secretary; Louis Tartaro, Alternate Putnam County Legislature; Michael Gaesser, MD; Arthur McCormick, DVM, and Michael Nesheiwat, MD.

The Health Department’s mission is to improve and protect the health of the Putnam County community, composed of nearly 100,000 residents. Core services include community health assessment, disease surveillance and control, environmental health protection, family health promotion and health education. For more information, please visit the PCDOH website at www.putnamcountyny.com/health or visit the social media sites on Facebook at www.facebook.com/putnamhealth and Twitter @PutnamHealthNY

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Health Commissioner Allen Beals, MD, left, and Daniel Doyle, DMD, president of the Board of Health, recognized Carol Weber for her decades of service to the board.

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