



**AGENDA REPORT**  
**August 20, 2019**

**Appointment, Re: Community Based Care of Brevard, Inc. d/b/a Brevard  
Family Partnership**

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**SUBJECT:**

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**DEPT/OFFICE:**

Agenda Coordinator

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

It is requested that the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) appoint Ms. Andrea Betting Long to the Board of Directors for Community Based Care of Brevard, Inc. d/b/a Brevard Family Partnership.

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION and BACKGROUND:**

Brevard Family Partnership was established in 2003 as a non-profit organization in response to the Legislative mandate to privatize foster care and related services (Section 409.1671, Florida Statutes). The agency was subsequently awarded the contract, through the Florida Department of Children and Families to manage Brevard County's child welfare system. Brevard Family Partnership (BFP) and its community partners provide child abuse prevention, foster care and support, adoption, case management independent living and community outreach services to the children and families of Brevard County.

The Community Based Care initiative has been instituted throughout the State of Florida and nationwide. The CBC initiative in Brevard County is the collaborative effort of local child welfare agencies and community partnerships through the leadership of Together in Partnership and Brevard County Government.

Since it began operations in 2005, Brevard Family Partnership has consistently ranked among the top performing CBCs in the state of Florida. Since the advent of Brevard Family Partnership, and the implementation of family-centered case practice, using the wraparound process, Brevard County's child safety has increased by nearly 50%.

As one of the founding entities of Brevard Family Partnership, the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners appoints three individuals to the BFP Board of Directors. This request is for the Board of County Commissioners to appoint Ms. Andrea Betting as a County Appointee to replace Mr. Eric Smith (who recently resigned). Ms. Betting has

been unanimously approved by the BFP Board of Directors to serve as a community member and she also serves as the Board Chair for Family Allies; a subsidiary with its focus on Case Management Services. Ms. Betting is the Vice President of the Florida Crisis Pregnancy Resource Center. A native of Great Britain, she spent her early career working for Her Majesty's Customs and Excise, Lloyd's of London Member's Agencies, and University of Cambridge. Eventually, settling with her husband and daughter in Melbourne, Florida, Ms. Betting earned both her undergraduate and graduate degrees in Social Work from the University of Central Florida. Today, she puts her business background and her experience as a Clinical Social Worker together to serve her counseling clients. Ms. Betting believes a day when one can learn something new is a good day! She is thrilled to have been asked to join the board of Brevard Family Partnership and is excited to be involved in their mission to protect children and strengthen families.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

No Attachments Available



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August 21, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Frank Abbate, County Manager

RE: Item F.17., Appointment of Andrea Betting Long to Community Based Care of Brevard, Inc. d/b/a Brevard Family Partnership

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on August 20, 2019, approved the appointment of Andrea Betting Long to the Board of Directors for Community Based Care of Brevard, Inc., d/b/a Brevard Family Partnership.

Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

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cc: Housing and Human Services Director