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**ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPOINTS
FOUR NEW MEMBERS TO CALOPTIMA BOARD**

ORANGE, Calif. (May 2, 2012) — The Orange County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday appointed four new members to the CalOptima Board of Directors, filling the seats added by the supervisors in December and completing the 11-member Board. The representatives will attend their first meeting tomorrow, May 3, and serve until April 30, 2016.

The following are the new Board members and their seats:

- **Ellen Ahn** *Affiliation:* Executive Director and Social Worker at Korean Community Services in Buena Park. *Board Seat:* CalOptima recipient or representative of a 501(c)(3) that serves CalOptima members
- **Samara Cardenas, M.D.** *Affiliation:* Pediatrician at Anaheim Regional Medical Center. *Board Seat:* Representative of an Independent Practice Association or health network
- **Viet Van Dang, M.D.** *Affiliation:* President at Viet Van Dang, M.D., Ophthalmology in Westminster. *Board Seat:* Practicing physician
- **Steven Knoblock** *Affiliation:* General Counsel at Multimedia LED and Of Counsel at McKenna Long & Aldridge in Irvine. *Board Seat:* County resident/non-consumer

“We welcome the new members to our expanded Board of Directors and look forward to the addition of their experience and perspectives on health care and agency governance,” said Michael Engelhard, CalOptima interim CEO. “With our Board now fully seated, CalOptima will continue to carry out our mission of access to quality health care with even deeper community representation.”

CalOptima is governed by an 11-member Board of Directors appointed by the Orange County Board of Supervisors. The Board of Directors represents the diverse backgrounds, interests and demographics of Orange County residents and helps ensure that CalOptima, as a public agency, remains highly accountable for and responsive to the health care needs of its members.

About CalOptima

CalOptima is a county organized health system providing publicly funded health coverage programs for low-income families, seniors and people with disabilities in Orange County, Calif. CalOptima serves 425,000 members with a network of more than 5,800 primary care doctors and specialists, as well as 24 hospitals. CalOptima provides access to quality health care through three programs, including Medi-Cal, Healthy Families Program and OneCare (HMO SNP).

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