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Health Education Council Board Member Appointed to New Position with the Department of Veteran Affairs

Sacramento, CA – The Health Education Council (HEC) is proud to announce the appointment of HEC Board Treasurer, Barbara Ward, RN, MPA, to Deputy Secretary of Women and Minority Veterans Affairs.

“I am excited to have this opportunity to make a difference in serving the needs of California’s women and minority veterans population. The overall mission of the Department of Veteran Affairs is to serve California’s veterans and its vision is that they will live the highest quality of life with dignity and honor. I am passionate about assisting with the fulfillment of this mission and vision given my veteran status,” said Ward

Ward was appointed in 2005 as the Bureau Chief of Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education. Prior to her appointment, she was the Regional Director of Field Case Management for Kemper Insurance Company and Broadspire. She directed all case management activities for Workers’ Compensation clients in the Western States Region.

Ward served as an officer in the United States Air Force Nursing Corps from 1972-1974 and has a Masters Degree in Public Administration, Health Care Administration from Golden Gate University in Sacramento, California and holds a California RN license. She is a member of the Eta Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and, besides being a valued Board Member for the Health Education Council, is also a Board Member for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Greater Sacramento.

Ward’s diverse health background combined with her experience as a Bureau Chief and military background positions her for success in her new appointment.

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