CalOptima Health

Board of Directors Application



CalOptima Health (CalOptima) is a separate legal, public entity from the County of Orange; however, the composition of CalOptima's Board of Directors is governed by the County's Health Authority Ordinance. Therefore, the County's Health Care Agency conducts recruitments for the CalOptima Board of Directors and appointments are made by the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

General Instructions: Type or print clearly. Please identify which of the following position or positions on the CalOptima Board of Directors in which you are applying to serve under this application:

☒ One (1) person who is a licensed physician in current practice and who is also a representative of a contracted independent physician's association or health network.

Please sign the application on page 2, attach a resume, and any other information you would like considered as part of your application.

Name: Matthew Lomeli

Occupation/Title: [redacted]

Home Address:

Street: [redacted]

City: [redacted] State: [redacted] Zip: [redacted]

Home Phone: [redacted] Fax: [redacted]

Business Address: [redacted]

Street: [redacted]

City: [redacted] State: [redacted] Zip: [redacted]

Business Phone: [redacted] Fax:

Education: Please check the box with the highest level of education and list corresponding information:

☐ High School	Name:	Level/Degree:	Medical Docto
☐ College or University	Name:	Level/Degree:	Medical Docto
☐ Training/Trade School	Name:	Level/Degree:	Medical Docto
☑ Advanced Degree	Name: Ohio State University College Of Medicir	Level/Degree:	Medical Docto

☐ Other Education/Training:

Employment: List two most recent places of employment:

Employer: [redacted]

Position: [redacted]

From: 05/2018 To: present

Employer: [redacted]

Position: [redacted]

From: 05/2010 To: 05/2018

Professional/Community/Volunteer Organization Membership: List relevant organizations:

Organization: Peace Corps

Type of Organization: Government

Offices Held: Volunteer

Organization: University of Irvine Flying Samaritans

Type of Organization: Volunteer Medical Care

Offices Held: Attending Physician

List any contracts and/or financial interests that you have with health care providers:

I do not have any contracts or financial interests with health care providers outside of my employment with [redacted].

Briefly explain your qualifications for each position for which you are applying and why you wish to serve on the CalOptima Health Board of Directors:

My qualifications for the physician representative seat merge extensive clinical practice in O.C., executive leadership at the nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Center, and a lifelong commitment to service.
Clinical Practice & Executive Leadership: I served as Site Medical Director for both the Anaheim and Huntington Beach [redacted] clinics, gaining firsthand insight into the unique healthcare barriers faced by our Medi-Cal population. At [redacted] I oversee large-scale clinical operations and manage executive medical strategies. I co-founded and scaled a 24/7 on-demand telehealth program—now serving 10,000 Medi-Cal patients monthly to improve access and reduce avoidable emergency room visits. To further reduce healthcare disparities, we initiated a quality care program that successfully improved preventative care and health outcomes.
Public Service & Advocacy: My foundational perspective is shaped by decades of service, starting as an Eagle Scout and culminating in service as a Peace Corps Volunteer, 12 years of Naval service, and becoming a published health equity advocate.
My desire to join the Board stems from a deep alignment with its mission to secure access to quality, compassionate health care for OC's most vulnerable residents. Serving on the Board allows me to scale this impact, ensuring policy decisions translate into equitable, high-quality, culturally competent care for families, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. I will bring my clinical and operational experience to help reduce healthcare inequities and decrease systemic healthcare costs by bridging executive strategy with grassroots community needs.

By signing below you certify that you meet the requirements of the County's Ordinance for the position(s) in which you are applying to serve on the CalOptima Health Board of Directors.

Application materials and resume must be delivered to the address listed below no later than 5 pm (PT) on August, 31, 2026

OC Health Care Agency, Attn: James Kim
405 W. 5th Street, Suite 724
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Signature: [signature]

Date: 8/7/2026

OC health CARE AGENCY

CalOptima Health

MATTHEW C. LOMELI, MD

[redacted]

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

5/2020 to present [redacted]

- Helped create telehealth program
- Created and managed AltaMed Now (24/7 on-demand telehealth) to help increase same day access & reduce avoidable ED visits
- AltaMed Now sees avg. 10k patients/month. Contribution margin 70%
- Managed centralized Message Management Team
- Centralized In-Basket Team (11/2019-present)
- Started Nurse Advice Line (08/2025-present)
- Panel management strategy and redesign using RUB scores
- Member of Executive Physician Leadership: team integral to making decisions on practice changes for entire organization
- Co-leader for redesign of online patient portal: "MyAltaMed"
- Peer Review Committee Member (11/2019-present) Interim Chair (4/2020-8/2021)
- Renovated Telehealth Website
- Title change from Medical Director 5/2026.

1/2018 to present [redacted]

- Teach NP fellows 1/2022-present LA & Orange County, CA
- Family Medicine Residency Program Attending, 7/2020-5/2024 South Gate, CA
- Train primary care providers to become dermatology champions. 9/2026-present

1/2023 to 5/2024 [redacted]

- Unofficial faculty since 10/2019
- Teach and mentor 1st and 2nd year medical students once a week
- PACE (Patient and Community Engagement) clerkship

6/2018 to 11/2020 [redacted]

- AltaMed Huntington Beach Clinic (Interim director 11/19-11/20) overseeing 13 providers. Huntington Beach, CA
- Director of both Anaheim clinics for 15 providers

- Out-patient, full-scope family clinician
- Dermatology Champion—consultant for all 6 AltaMed clinics in O.C. and helped start "derm clinics" for three sites
- AltaMed Hypertension Champion 2019: lead revision of care guidelines
- AltaMed Diabetes Champion 2020: lead revision of care guidelines

6/2017 to 5/2018 [redacted]

- Out-patient & inpatient attending for the Family Medicine Residency Program. Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton. Oceanside, CA

6/2016 to 5/2018 [redacted]

- Family medicine physician for Comphibron V
- Deployment: 10/2016-5/2017 aboard USS Makin Island
- Fleet Surgical Team V, USS Makin Island, San Diego, CA
- Served as solo physician on Aviation Mishap Board for crash investigation

2/2012 to 5/2014 [redacted]

- Medical department head
- Primary care physician for 240 Marines and Sailors
- 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing (MAW), VMU-3, 29 Palms, CA
- Nominated for Flight Surgeon of the Year: 2012 and 2013
- Helped re-write medical waiver guidelines for Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) pilots

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

8/2020-8/2021	Primary Care Champion Fellowship. Leadership and Opioid treatment training. AltaMed Health Services. Commerce, CA
7/2016	Sexual Assault Medical Forensics Examiner (SAMFE) Certification. Fort Sam Houston, TX
6/2014 to 7/2016	Family Medicine Residency. Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton. Chief Resident during 3rd year. Oceanside, CA
8/2011 to 2/2012	Naval Aerospace Medical Institute. Flight Surgeon school. Pensacola, FL
6/2010 to 7/2011	Family Medicine Internship. Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton. Oceanside, CA
8/2006 to 6/2010	Doctor of Medicine. The Ohio State University College of Medicine. Columbus, OH
7/2005 to 7/2006	Medpath Program. Post-baccalaureate. The Ohio State University College of Medicine. Columbus, OH

8/1997 to 5/2001 Bachelor of Liberal Arts. Whittier College. Biology Major. Whittier, CA

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

- Board certified by the American Board of Family Physicians (expires 2027)
- California medical license (expires 2027)
- CPR and BLS certified (expires 2027)
- X-Waivered (2021)

PUBLICATIONS

Novotny, Richard MD, Trinh, Lien MD, Gowan, Amy MD, and Lomeli, Matthew MD. *Palpable Purpura. Photo Quiz.* American Family Physician. 2024; 109(3): 265-267.

Howley, Elaine K. and Colino, Stacey. *Surprising Factors That Increase Sun Sensitivity.* U.S. News & World Report. Expert Contributor. Apr 28, 2023

Melissa Chinchilla PhD, MCP, MSHPM, Gloria Itzel Montiel PhD, Monica Perez Jolles PhD, Matthew Charles Lomeli MD, et. al. "Linking health education, civic engagement, and research at a large Federally Qualified Health Center to address health disparities" Heath Services Research 2021; 1-6. https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6773.13911

Morales, N.M., & Lomeli, M., & Frausto, M., & Nguyen, T.. (2021, July 20). *Retrospective and theory-based Assessment of Patient Service Representative appointment scheduling accuracy for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services at AltaMed.* [Poster presented]. AltaMed Centralized Opioid Management and Behavioral Approaches to Treatment (COMBAT) Primary Care Champions MPH Fellowship Poster Presentations/Los Angeles, CA, USA.

Peer Reviewed Medical Publication: Lomeli, MC and Mercado, M. *What are the complications and complication rates of cosmetic Botox injections?* Evidence-Based Practice. Family Physicians Inquiry Network. May 2016

PRESENTATIONS

- Diabetes care and Telehealth. L.A. Care providers. Approx 250. 11/2020 and 5/2023
- Path to medicine. AltaMed's Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) students. Approx. 30. 06/2021
- Telehealth. AltaMed's Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP). Approx. 30. 04/2021,
- Telehealth. AltaMed Leaders. Approximately 200. 9/2020
- Diabetes: Clinical guidelines and recommendations. AltaMed leadership. 12/2019

<u>AltaMed Grand Rounds:</u>

- Upper Respiratory Infections, Lower Respiratory Infections, and Antibiotics 11/2022

- Emotional Support Animals 6/2022
- Allergies and Allergy Testing 2/2022
- Death Certificates 7/2021
- Telehealth and Cultural and Linguistic Implications 6/2021
- Hypertension 10/2020
- Medical Health Assessments, Initial Health Assessments, and Staying Healthy Assessment 7/2020

Dermatology Lecture Series:

- Suturing and Biopsies. AltaMed's Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) Approx 30. 06/2019, 07/2022, 07/2025, & 07/2026
- Suturing Techniques. Five AltaMed providers. 03/2019 and 04/2019
- Suturing Techniques. Long Beach State Nurse Practitioner students. Approx 10. Dec 2018
- Punch, shave, and excision biopsies. Approx. 50 AltaMed providers. Nov & Dec 2018

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

05/2025 to present — National Association of Healthcare Access Management NAHAM
- Serve on the Industry Standards Committee

6/2017 to 5/2018 — Navy Mentor Circle Program Volunteer
- Mentor for medical students in the Health Professions Scholarship Program.
- Monthly video conferences to answer questions and give guidance.

11/2014 to 5/2018 — Flying Samaritans Volunteer
- Attending physician for medical and undergraduate students through UC Irvine Chapter.
- Three trips to Tijuana, Mexico.

5/2015 to 7/2016 — Chief Family Medicine Residency
- One of two chiefs. Led 40 residents. Served as junior faculty. Organized curriculum, coverage, retreats, education, and training.
- Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton Family Medicine Residency.

3/2013 to 5/2014 — Joshua Tree Search & Rescue (JOSAR) Volunteer
- Trained in search and technical rope rescue.
- Joshua Tree, CA.

5/2013 to 5/2014 — Primary Care Physician
- Volunteered weekly to assist family medicine dept. in care of military family members.
- Naval Hospital 29 Palms. Twentynine Palms, CA.

3/2002 to 11/2004 Spanish Medical Interpreter Volunteer
- Spanish interpreter for various medical campaigns, including: U.S. Army, ASAPROSAR (Asociación Salvadoreña Pro-Salud Rural), Missions of Mercy, and Global Health Outreach.
- Various locations, El Salvador

6/2002 to 8/2004 Rural Health Clinic Volunteer
- Assisted local health clinic with Dengue and Rabies elimination effort.
- Coordinated surgeries and healthcare for community members.
- El Carmen, La Union, El Salvador

3/2002 to 8/2002 Volunteer Emergency Medicine Technician (EMT)
- Comandos de Salvamento
- Volunteer assistant on emergency calls, helped with clinical care, and disaster rescue
- San Salvador, El Salvador

10/2001 to 12/2003 Peace Corps Volunteer, El Salvador
- Community Grass-Roots Development Consultant.
- Coordinated workshops & camps; served as a high school teacher and agro-forestry consultant.
- Won and managed young women scholarships for two high school students.
- Solicited and supervised a $10,000 US AID project.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Academy of Family Physicians
- California Medical Association

CLINICAL PRACTICE AND INTERESTS

- All ages
- Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) placement
- Splinting
- Dermatology: Isotretinoin, dermoscopy, biopsies, and excisions
- Health and wellness

LANGUAGES

Native English and fluent Spanish speaker

PERSONAL

My growing family is my priority. Recreational activities and hobbies include: exercise and any sport, but especially golf, mountain biking, and soccer. I also enjoy Do-It-Yourself (DIY) home renovation, antique car restoration, furniture making, and reading.

REFERENCES

References available upon request.