PALM BEACH COUNTY **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	December 6, 2022	Consent [.] Public Hearing []	Regular [∕]
Department:	Administration		
	I. <u>EXECU</u>	TIVE BRIEF	
		on to concur: with the appoints the Director of the Palm B	•
Commissioners r Health Departme	must concur with the State ent Director. Dr. Gunta will bruary 28, 2023. Dr. Gunta is	(b), Florida Statutes, the Surgeon General's appointm I replace Dr. Alina Alonso of s expected to officially be ap	nent of the County effective upon her
under Chapter administration an Florida Departme panel that serve Administrator, report the Health Ca	458 or Chapter 459, Florid d practice. Recruitment and nt of Health (DOH). Interview d as a recommending bod presenting the interests of the	epartment Director must be a da Statutes, who is trained selection for the position welving was conducted by a state ly. The panel included an Board of County Commissions Services Council as local anded this appointment.	d in public health re managed by the e-selected interview n Assistant County ners, and the CEOs
Attachments:			
	nployment Application for Jyo r Requesting Appointment for		
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Recommended B	y: N/A Department Direc	tor [Date
Approved By:	Ubake County Administr	/ ator	1/28/22 Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Capital Expenditures Operating Costs External Revenues Program Income (County) In-Kind Match County	<u>O</u> <u>O</u> <u>O</u> <u>O</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u> </u>	<u>0</u> <u>0</u> <u>0</u> <u>0</u>
NET FISCAL IMPACT	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Budget Account No.: Fund	l De	ept	Unit	Object	
Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No					
Does this item include the use	e of federal f	unds?	Yes	No	
	R	eporting Cate	egory <u>N/A</u>		
B. Recommended Source	es of Funds	s/Summary o	of Fiscal Impa	ıct:	
No Fiscal Impact.					
C. Department Fiscal Review:					
	III. REV	IEW_COMME	<u>ENTS</u>		
A. OFMB Fiscal and/or C			1	omments: Audio Opment and Con	11/29/22 trol
B. Legal Sufficiency: Allue C. Lory Assistant Count		2			
C. Other Department Re	view:				

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.

Department Director

Jyothi Gunta, M.D., MPH

Wellington, Florida | 561-310-7373 | Jgunta123@gmail.com

June 19, 2022

Dear Sir/MCWKF0122062671adam

My name is Dr. Jyothi Gunta. I am very interested in the Palm Beach County Health Department Director of Health Opportunity-64028839.

I am board certified in Preventive Medicine/Public Health and Occupational and Environmental Medicine. Additionally, I have a Master's in Public Health. Originally, I trained in Pediatrics at the Tripler Army Medical Center Honolulu, Hawaii, but my passion for population health led me to the Florida Department of Health-Palm Beach County's Preventive Medicine/Public Health Residency Program in 2016. The reason I picked that specific program was because it trained residents to become Health Officers. This position is what I have been training for all these years.

Currently, I am the Medical Director for Employee Health and Wellness for a municipality in Florida. I am practicing family medicine, occupational medicine, and urgent care. I intermittently cover in the Emergency Department serving the veteran population at West Palm Beach VA Medical Center. I also serve as the medical director for five community mental health centers in Florida to ensure each clinic is compliant with ACHA guidelines/regulations. I am faculty at Florida Department of Health Preventive Medicine Public Health Residency Program. Since the Covid19 pandemic, I am serving as a national consultant with the CDC for the Covid19 Immunization Safety Assessment team.

I come with a passion for public health. When I think about public health, I think about how I can prevent diseases, pave an easier path for people to achieve their health goals, and how I can help serve communities rather than just individuals. I want to help promote population health by eliminating health disparities and inequities. I understand the importance of public health as it is an essential component to our individual and community well-being.

I feel that with my public health training, understanding, experience and extensive clinical background, I would be a great addition to your team to achieve one common goal which is to protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts.

I hope to have the opportunity to interview, connect with the team, and speak more about this opportunity. Thank you for your consideration and your valuable time.

Sincerely,

Jyothi Gunta, MD, MPH

Jyothi Gunta, M.D. MPH

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Residence: Wellington, Florida Jgunta123@gmail.com citizenship: USA citizen

II. PRESENT RANK AND POSITION

Concentra Urgent Care
Physician MD, MPH
Center Medical Director
Employee Health and Wellness Center
525 NE 3rd Ave
Delray Beach FL 33444
08/2018 to Present

West Palm Beach Veterans Affairs Hospital Emergency Department Fast Track Physician 7305 N Military Trl West Palm Beach, FL 33410 06/2020 to 12/04/2021

CDC Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Response ASRT, Inc, Medical Officer Contractor 4158 Onslow PI SE Smyrna, GA 30080 08/2021 to Present

XLHome Health Physician Collaborative Services 09/2018 to present

Compliance Navigation Services Medical Review Officer Pennsylvania 08/2020 to 12/2021

Agency for Healthcare Administration (Florida) Mental Health Community Center Medical Director for ACHA Regulations Compliance 08/2020 to Present

III. EDUCATION

Appointed Chief Resident PGY-3 2017-2018 Florida Department of Health-Palm Beach County-

Preventive Medicine/Public Health Residency Program 800 Clematis St West Palm Beach, Fl 33401

06/2016 to 06/2018

Florida Department of Health Palm Beach County Preventive Medicine/Public Health Residency Program 800 Clematis St West Palm Beach Fl 33401

06/2016 – 06/2018 Masters in Public Health Nova Southeastern University 3301 College Avenue

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796

06/2012-07/2014 Resident Physician Internship Certificate

Hospital: *Tripler Army Medical Center* Honolulu, Hawaii Residency: Categorical Pediatrics Residency Program

This training was funded by the Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs- not funded by Medicare

09/2001-06/2007

Medical School: St. Petersburg I. I. Mechnikov State Medical Academy (SPSMA)

2011- The St. Petersburg I. I. Mechnikov State Medical Academy was renamed to North-West State Medical University, specializing in the provision of health care to the Northwestern Federal District of the Russian Federation (order N 609, dated June 23, 2011)

St. Petersburg, Russia Degree: Doctor of Medicine

09/2000-06/2001

Medical School: St. Petersburg I. I. Mechnikov State Medical Academy (SPSMA)

Degree: Associate Academic Certificate in Russian Language

09/1998-06/1999

The Richard Stockton College Pomona, NJ

Studied one year of general science major courses (tuition paid by presidential scholarship

IV. BOARD CERTIFICATIONS

ECFMG

Date of Issue: 07/28/2011 Certificate Number: 0-751-726-1

 $\label{eq:Preventive Medicine Public Health Board Certification} Preventive\ Medicine\ Public\ Health\ Board\ Certification$

Date of certification: 01/01/2019 Expiration Date: 12/31/2028 Certification Number: 33-17092

Occupational and Environment Medicine Board Certification

Date of certification: 01/01/2022 Expiration Date: 12/31/2031 Certification Number: 32-17092

V. LICENSES

Georgia Medical License Florida Medical License Hawaii Medical License Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)

VI. CERTIFICATIONS

American Health Association (AHA) instructor for:

-BLS

-PALS

-NRP

-ACLS

-PEARS

-NRCME (national registry for certified medical examiners) Certificate # 9149977479

-Board Certification

Public Health and General Preventive Medicine

Number: 33-17092

Valid: 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2028

Medical Review Officer

AAMRO Certification number: 200809127

Valid: 08/09/2020-08/09/2025

VII. MILITARY SERVICE

06/2012-10/2014

Worked as a Federal Employee for Veterans Affairs serving military families in the State of Hawai'i

VIII. PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

06/2017-06/2018

Preventive Medicine/Public Health Residency Program

Position: Chief Resident

American College of Preventive Medicine Elected Vice President of Recruitment and Membership 2017-2018 Elected Secretary to Young Physicians Section 2018-2019

Elected ACPM delegate to American Medical Society 2018-2019

09/7/2017- 09/ 11/2017

Jyothi Gunta MD, Palm Central High Special Needs Shelter during Hurricane Irma

Position: Lead Physician

06/2015-05/2016

Jyothi Gunta MD, Kapiolani Community College

Position: Lecturer Anatomy & Physiology

06/2015-05/2016

Jyothi Gunta MD, AED Institute of America, Queens Medical Center, American Medical Response Position: American Heart Association Instructor for ACLS, BLS, PALS, PEARS certification for healthcare providers

06/2012-07/2014 Resident Physician

Hospital: *Tripler Army Medical Center* Honolulu, Hawaii Residency: Categorical Pediatrics Residency Program

IX. PROFESSIONAL AND SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Palm Beach County Medical Society since 2016

American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine since 2016

American College of Preventive Medicine since 2016

-Committee Member for ACPM Career Track

- Served as moderator for ACPM National Conference in May 2017
- ACPM Resident Liaison to the ACPM RPS Board

American Academy of Pediatrics member since 2012

American Medical Association member since 2012

X. INTRAMURAL PRESENTATIONS

Grand Rounds

Hospital: Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children Honolulu, Hawaii

Topic: Neonatal Thrombocytopenia

Lecture for Department of Pediatrics

Hospital: Tripler Army Medical Center Honolulu, Hawaii

Topic: Hematuria

Lecture for Department of Medicine Hospital: VA at West Palm Beach, WPB, FI

Topic: Zika Update from Florida Department of Health

Lecture for Department of Medicine Hospital: VA at West Palm Beach, WPB FL Topic: Future of Preventive Medicine

Scientific Poster presentation at National Conference for American College of Preventive Medicine 2017 Title: Responding To A New Threat In A Vulnerable Community

XI. RESEARCH INTERESTS

Factors that increase STD prevalence in teenagers (07/2016 to 06/30/2018)

Quality Improvement Project: County Health District Employee Occupational Health and Infection Control Program

-wrote Employee Infection Control manual with CDC and OSHA approved guidelines and developed supporting database for statewide county health departments (12/2016 to 06/30/2018)

Gunta, Jyothi 5613107373 Jgunta123@gmail.com

Application	
Status:	New
Country:	United States
Attachments to be included in all Job Submissions:	Submission Attachments 0 attached
Attachments Added After Submission	Submission Attachments 0 attached
Vacancy Source:	Agency Website
Relatives: To your knowledge, do you have any relatives working in this agency?	No
Right To First Interview	Not Applicable
	If you responded yes to the above statement, attach a copy of your official layoff letter when applying for this vacancy.
Veteran Status	None of the Above
ARE YOU CURRENTLY EMPLOYED WITH THE AGENCY TO WHICH YOU ARE CURRENTLY APPLYING?	No
HAVE YOU RECEIVED A PROMOTIONAL APPOINTMENT WITHIN THE CAREER SERVICE, SUBSEQUENT TO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, WITH THE AGENCY TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING?	No
People First Initial VP Review	No Selection
People First Eligible VP Category (if different)	No Selection
Agency Final VP Eligibility Review	No Selection
Agency Final VP Category Determination	No Selection
	Background Information A "yes" answer to these questions will not automatically bar you from employment. The nature, job-relatedness, severity, and date

from employment. The nature, job-relatedness, severity, and date of the offense in relation to the position you are applying are considered. [see 112.011, F.S.].

Have you ever been No convicted of a felony or a first degree misdemeanor?

If yes, what were the charges? Where ? (City/State) Date Have you ever pled nolo contendere or guilty to a crime which is a felony or a first degree misdemeanor? If yes, what were the charges? Where ? (City/State) Date Have you ever had the No adjudication of guilt withheld for a crime which is a felony or first degree misdemeanor? If yes, what were the charges? Where ? (City/State) 06/26/2022 Date

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Signature

I am aware that any omissions, falsifications, misstatements, or misrepresentations above may disqualify me for employment and, if I am hired, may be grounds for termination at a later date. I understand that any information I give may be investigated as allowed by law. I consent to the release of information about my ability, employment history, and fitness for employment by employers, schools, law enforcement agencies, and other individuals and organizations to investigators, human resources staff, and other authorized employees of Florida state government for employment purposes. The consent shall continue to be effective during my employment if I am hired. I understand that applications submitted for state employment are public records. I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief all of the statements contained herein and on any attachments are true, correct, complete, and made in good faith.

If applicable, Complete Qualifying Questions prior to submitting your application.

By checking this box, I certify that I have read and agree with these statements

Yes

Interview Result

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Screening Details

Candidates for this position must be a physician that currently

Yes

holds, or is eligible for, a
Florida Medical license
(Chapters 458 or 459,
Florida Statutes). Please
respond with "Yes" if
you can meet this
requirement and "No" if
you cannot. (must be
evident on application)

Describe your experience working in a public health setting. (must be evident on application)

FLDOH epidemiology, disaster preparedness (zika, chikungunya, hurricane preparedness), LTBI/TB treatment, multidisciplinary team for HIV patient management, Fire and police health surveillance

3. Describe your experience in working with community-based organizations. (must be evident on application) Veteran population addressing mental health needs, city of delray beach health fairs/events to educate, promote healthy choices with attainable goals, working with CDC to promote covid-19 vaccines.

4. How many years of senior-level executive management experience do you have (ex: director, assistant director, vice-president, CEO, COO, program director)? (must be evident on application)

medical director for city of delray beach with 900 employees responsible for PC, preventive health, occupational health, manage staff of 15 people. ACHA director with 20 staff.

5. Describe your personnel management experience including the largest staff you have supervised both directly and indirectly. (must be evident on application)

Rotation with Dr Alonso where I learned about FLDOH budget, currently responsible for a 2 million dollar budge in city of delray

6. Describe your financial management experience including the largest budget you have been responsible for and your specific role? (must be evident on application)

ACHA medical director responsible for quality assurance of services, clinic records owner, review systemic billing to ensure no fraud, enforce quality measurement tools to rectify problems, close gaps

7. Describe your experience monitoring organizational performance and utilizing quality improvement tools. (must be evident on application)

ould Yes

8. This position could require travel with little notice to different parts of the state. If you are selected, are you willing to travel under those conditions?

Yes

Are you willing to work during or beyond normal work hours or days in the event of an emergency? Emergency duty required of the incumbent of this position includes working in Special Needs or Red Cross Shelters, or performing other emergency duties including, but not limited to, responses to or threats involving any disaster or threat of disaster, man-made or natural.

Periods of Employment

*Name of Employer Concentra Urgent Care

*Your Job Title Center Medical Director

*Currently Employed Yes

*Start Date 08/01/2018

*End Date MM/DD/YYYY

*Hours Per Week 4

Employer's Address

Supervisor's Name

Supervisor's Phone Number

*Duties and Responsibilities

primary care, urgent care, preventive health services, policy development, employee health surveillance, as a center medical director, I play an essential role in the management of a 2 million dollar budget for the city of delray beach health services and I manage a staff of 15 people.

*Reason For Leaving NA

Your name, if different during employment

*Name of Employer

West Palm Beach Veterans Affairs Hospital

*Your Job Title Emergency Department Fast Track Physician

*Currently Employed Yes

*Start Date 06/01/2020

*End Date MM/DD/YYYY

*Hours Per Week intermittent employee

Employer's Address 7305 N Military Trl West Palm Beach, FL 33410

Supervisor's Name

Supervisor's Phone

Number

*Duties and Responsibilities emergent care and urgent care, provides education to resident physicians, and mid level students, Applied evidence based best practices for the veteran population. Constant participation in continuing medical education and updates on policies and procedures to improve veteran health. I was also part of the team in the ER to implement quality improvement measures to enhance ER efficiency and patient satisfaction measures.

*Reason For Leaving NA

Your name, if different during employment

*Name of Employer ASRT, Inc

*Your Job Title Medical Officer Contractor

*Currently Employed Yes

*Start Date 08/01/2021

*End Date MM/DD/YYYY

*Hours Per Week 20

Employer's Address 4158 Onslow PI SE Smyrna, GA 30080

Supervisor's Name

Supervisor's Phone

Number

*Duties and Responsibilities

national consultant for Covid-19 Immunization Safety Assessment. I am assigned complex cases from across the USA to provide assistance to healthcare providers or health departments to assess complex COVID-19 vaccine safety questions that are about an individual patient residing in the USA and not readily addressed by CDC or ACIP guidelines.

NA

*Reason For Leaving

Your name, if different during employment

*Name of Employer XLHome Health

Center Medical Director *Your Job Title

*Currently Employed

09/01/2018 *Start Date

*End Date MM/DD/YYYY

*Hours Per Week

Employer's Address

Supervisor's Name

Supervisor's Phone

Number

Responsibilities

*Duties and supervision/oversight for mid levels who perform home based primary care. I review their charts and assessments, am available for consultation via phone/email and I advise on quality improvement measures to close gaps between patient and healthcare providers and ensure safety of patients in regards to polypharmacy and urgent healthcare matters that would require urgent attention by either their PCP or need emergent attention in the ER.

*Reason For Leaving

NA

Your name, if different during employment

> *Name of Employer Compliance Navigation Services

Medical Review Officer *Your Job Title

*Currently Employed No

*Start Date 08/01/2020

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*End Date	12/31/2021
*Hours Per Week	10
Employer's Address	Pennsylvania
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	review positive, non-negative and negative drug screens for employer services for the purposes of ensuring public safety and protect employees in safety sensitive positions.
*Reason For Leaving	time constraints
Your name, if different during employment	
*Name of Employer	Mental Health Community Center
*Your Job Title	Medical Director for ACHA Regulations Compliance
*Currently Employed	Yes
*Start Date	08/01/2020
*End Date	MM/DD/YYYY
*Hours Per Week	10
Employer's Address	
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	AHCA medical director providing oversight, quality assurance, and ensuring compliance with ACHA guidelines/regulations
*Reason For Leaving	NA
Your name, if different during employment	
*Name of Employer	VII. MILITARY SERVICE
*Your Job Title	Federal Employee
*Currently Employed	No
*Start Date	06/01/2012
*End Date	10/31/2014
*Hours Per Week	40-80
Employer's Address	
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	Worked as a Federal Employee for Veterans Affairs serving military families in the State of Hawai'i
*Reason For Leaving	graduated
Your name, if different during employment	
*Name of Employer	Preventive Medicine/Public Health Residency Program
*Your Job Title	Chief Resident
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*Currently Employed	No
*Start Date	06/01/2017
*End Date	06/30/2018
*Hours Per Week	40 -80
Employer's Address	
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	assisted program director with daily activities and supervision of resident physicians
*Reason For Leaving	graduated residency program
Your name, if different during employment	
*Name of Employer	Jyothi Gunta MD, Palm Central High Special Needs Shelter during Hurricane Irma
*Your Job Title	Lead Physician
*Currently Employed	No
*Start Date	07/09/2017
*End Date	11/09/2017
*Hours Per Week	0
Employer's Address	
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	assisted with rendering medical care to special needs shelter during hurricanes
*Reason For Leaving	NA
Your name, if different during employment	
*Name of Employer	Jyothi Gunta MD, Kapiolani Community College
*Your Job Title	Lecturer
*Currently Employed	No
*Start Date	06/01/2015
*End Date	05/31/2016
*Hours Per Week	20
Employer's Address	
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	Anatomy & Physiology
*Reason For Leaving	relocation
Your name, if different during employment	
*Name of Employer	Jyothi Gunta MD, AED Institute of America, Queens

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	Medical Center, American Medical Response
*Your Job Title	American Heart Association Instructor for ACLS, BLS, PALS, PEARS certification for healthcare providers
*Currently Employed	No
*Start Date	06/01/2015
*End Date	05/31/2016
*Hours Per Week	20
Employer's Address	
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	instructor for BLS, ACLS, PALS
*Reason For Leaving	relocated
Your name, if different during employment	
during employment	
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*Name of Employer	Hospital: Tripler Army Medical Center
*Your Job Title	Resident Physician
*Currently Employed	No
*Start Date	06/01/2012
*End Date	07/31/2014
*Hours Per Week	40-80
Employer's Address	Honolulu, Hawaii
Supervisor's Name	
Supervisor's Phone Number	
*Duties and Responsibilities	pediatric residency internship
*Reason For Leaving	graduated
Your name, if different during employment	
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Formal Education	
*Name of School	Florida Department of Health Palm Beach County; 800 Clematis St
*Location	West Palm Beach
*Start Date	06/01/2016
End Date	06/30/2018
Course of Study	Preventive Medicine/Public Health Residency Program
*Degree Earned (transcripts may be	Other Degree Type
required)	
Credit Hours - Quarter	
Credit Hours - Semester	
*Name of School	Nova Southeastern University 3301 College Avenue
*Location	Fort Lauderdale

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*Start Date	06/01/2016
End Date	06/30/2018
Course of Study	Masters in Public Health
*Degree Earned (transcripts may be required)	Masters
Credit Hours - Quarter	
Credit Hours - Semester	
*Name of School	St. Petersburg I. I. Mechnikov State Medical Academy (SPSMA)
*Location	St. Petersburg, Russia
*Start Date	09/01/2001
End Date	06/30/2007
Course of Study	Medical School
*Degree Earned (transcripts may be required)	Other Degree Type
Credit Hours - Quarter	
Credit Hours - Semester	
*Name of School	Richard Stockton College
*Location	New Jersey
*Start Date	09/01/1998
End Date	06/30/1999
Course of Study	general science major courses
*Degree Earned (transcripts may be required)	Bachelors
Credit Hours - Quarter	
Credit Hours – Semester	
Language Skills	
*Language	Hindi
Speaking Proficiency	Intermediate
Reading Proficiency	Beginner
Writing Proficiency	N/A
Withing Frontiericy	IVA
*Language	Russian
Speaking Proficiency	Fluent
Reading Proficiency	Fluent
Writing Proficiency	Fluent
	Parkla
*Language	English
Speaking Proficiency	Fluent
Reading Proficiency	Fluent
Writing Proficiency	Fluent

License, Registration or Certification *License, Registration or **Drug Enforcement Agency** Certification Number FG7688053 State Licensing Agency Received 09/30/2018 09/30/2024 **Expires** *License, Registration or Georgia Composite Medical Board Certification 75218 Number State Licensing Agency Georgia Composite Medical Board Received 04/30/2022 Expires 04/30/2024 *License, Registration or Hawaii Medical License Certification MD19846 Number **State Licensing Agency** Hawaii Medical Board 06/30/2022 Received Expires 01/31/2024 *License, Registration or Florida Medical License Certification Number ME136482 State Licensing Agency Florida Board of Medicine Received 06/30/2018 **Expires** 01/31/2024 Job-Related Training or Course Work *Name of Institution FLDOH Preventive Medicine and Public Health Residency Program *Start Date 07/01/2016 07/29/2018 **End Date** Residency Training Program *Training Course *Training Completed Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Knowledge, Skills and Public Health Knowledge and experience, clinical **Abilities** experience to include primary care, urgent care, occupational and environmental health, endorse great communication skills, leadership skills and experience

Mission:

To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



Ron DeSantis Governor

Joseph A. Ladapo, MD, PhD State Surgeon General

Vision: To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

October 26, 2022

The Honorable Robert Weinroth
Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners
301 N. Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Dear Mayor Weinroth:

The Florida Department of Health requests concurrence from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners on the appointment of Jyothi Gunta, MD, MPH as the Director of the Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County. County health departments sustain the partnership between the Florida Department of Health and county government pursuant to section 154.04, Florida Statutes. In keeping with state law, as well as our desire to maintain this important partnership, the Florida Department of Health works collectively with county government when selecting a new health department administrator.

Dr. Gunta has an excellent and diverse background in all aspects of public health and has demonstrated her ability as a skilled leader. I believe Dr. Gunta will be an asset to the Florida Department of Health and Palm Beach County as their new health department director.

The Florida Department of Health is requesting time on the agenda during your upcoming meeting to request concurrence on the appointment of Jyothi Gunta, MD, MPH, as the Director of the Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County. If you or any member of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners have questions or would like more information regarding Dr. Gunta, please feel free to contact Mark Lander, Interim Deputy Secretary for County Health Systems at 850-245-4243.

I appreciate the support of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners and the community in selecting the best candidate for the people of Palm Beach County.

Sincerely

Joseph A Vadapo, MD, PhD State/Surgeon General

CC:

Verdenia Baker, County Administrator Jyothi Gunta, MD, MPH

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