

## San Diego Leader in Alternative Medicine Named to State Panel

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A San Diego natural medicine doctor was appointed to the state Naturopathic Medicine Committee on Monday.

Tabatha Parker, 43, is a co-director at the National College of Natural Medicine Master of Science in Global Health program and director of education at the Academy of Integrative Health and Medicine.



Tabatha Parker. Photo courtesy of National College of Natural Medicine

She has also been executive director at Natural Doctors International, where she was a naturopathic physician and medical director.

Parker is a co-chair of the World Naturopathic Federation Interim Committee and the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians Global Health Committee, and an agency liaison and author for the Foundations of Naturopathic Medicine Project. She also belongs to numerous industry groups.

The Democrat earned a doctor of naturopathic medicine degree from the National College of Natural Medicine.

Her position, which does not require Senate confirmation, offers compensation of \$100 per diem.

According to its website, the committee is involved in the promotion and enforcement of laws and regulations of

naturopathic medical care, which emphasizes traditional treatments that boost the self-healing process, along with disease prevention.