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MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate
Date: September 14, 2020
By: Tyler Larson, Analyst
Re: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments

OREGON STATE BOARD OF NURSING

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon State Board of Nursing subject to Senate confirmation.¹

Appointees

Devorah Bianchi of Eugene; New Appointment
Aaron Green of Springfield; New Appointment
Sarah Horn of Salem; New Appointment

Term

Bianchi: January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2023
Green: October 1, 2020 – December 31, 2021
Horn: January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2023

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 678.140 \(2019\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.⁴ All members of the board must be residents of this state. Nurse and nurse assistant members must be currently licensed and in good standing and have at least five years' experience in the category in which the member is appointed, three of which were immediately prior to appointment. Members serve three-year terms and at the pleasure of the Governor.

Five members must be registered nurses. These members may be selected by the Governor from a list of three to five nominees for each vacancy from the Oregon Nurses Association or any other professional organization representing registered nurses. The Governor must ensure that the following areas of practice are represented on the board:

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2019\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2019\)](#).

³ [ORS 182.100 \(2019\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2019\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 678.140 \(2019\)](#).

- one nursing educator (CADDY);
- one nursing administrator (**HORN**);
- two nonsupervisory nurses involved in direct patient care (**BIANCHI**; ENGHOUSE); and
- one nurse practitioner (CHINN).

One member must be a licensed practical nurse (CHAU). This member may be selected by the Governor from a list of three to five nominees for each vacancy from the Oregon Licensed Practical Nurses Association or any other professional organization representing licensed practical nurses.

One member must be a certified nursing assistant (**GREEN**). This member may be selected by the Governor from a list of three to five nominees for each vacancy from a professional organization representing certified nursing assistants.

Two members must be members of the public who are otherwise not eligible for appointment to the board (WOODRUFF, WYNTER-LIGHTFOOT). Public members and any person who is a spouse, domestic partner, child, parent or sibling of a public member may not be licensed by the board.

The board elects annually from its members a president, president-elect, and a secretary, each of whom serves until a successor is elected and qualified.

Duties and Authority

The board regulates the practice of nursing in this state.⁵ The board must:⁶

- adopt a seal which is in the care of the executive director;
- administer licensing for nurses, including qualifications of applicants, curriculum and training standards, approval of nurse education programs, examinations, scope of practice,
- exercise general supervision over the practice of nursing in this state;
- keep a record of all its proceedings and of all persons licensed and schools or programs approved;
- enforce the provisions administered by the board and incur necessary expenses for the enforcement;
- adopt rules for the administration of specified statutory duties;
- enter into specified interagency agreements;
- keep a record of all moneys deposited in the Oregon State Board of Nursing Account; and
- upon receipt of a complaint, conduct an investigation.

The board may:⁷

- require applicants, licensees and certificate holders to provide to the board data concerning the individual's nursing employment and education;

⁵ Oregon State Board of Nursing, *About Us*, <https://www.oregon.gov/osbn/Pages/about-us.aspx> (last visited July 24, 2020).

⁶ [ORS 678.050 to 678.448 \(2019\)](#).

⁷ [ORS 678.050 to 678.448 \(2019\)](#).

- for the purpose of requesting criminal records checks, require the fingerprints from specified individuals;
- issue licenses by indorsement, limited licenses, nurse emeritus licenses, and place licenses in retired status under criteria established by the board;
- take enforcement action against an applicant or licensee, including the denial, suspension, or revocation of a license, or placing a licensee on probation, for specified causes;
- order mental health, physical condition, or chemical dependency evaluations during the course of an investigation into the performance or conduct of an applicant, certificate holder, or licensee; and,
- adopt rules for the administration of specified statutory duties; and
- issue subpoenas for any records relevant to a board investigation, compel the attendance of witnesses, and administer oaths or affirmations to persons giving testimony during an investigation or at hearings.

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Nursing, Oregon State Board of

Agency: Health Licensing Office
Authorization: ORS 678.140
Members: Min: 9 Max: 9
Term Length: 3 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Health

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Devorah J Bianchi
Nonsupervisory; Direct Care
Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2023

Position Number: 1

Sheryl Caddy
Nursing Educator
Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020

Position Number: 5

Michelle H Chau
LPN
Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021

Position Number: 8

Kat Chinn, Chair
Nurse Practitioner
Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021
01-01-2016 - 12-31-2018

Position Number: 4

Annette E Cole, Vice-Chair
Nursing Administrator
Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020

Position Number: 2

Adrienne M Enghouse
Nonsupervisory; Direct Care
Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020
06-01-2016 - 12-31-2017

Position Number: 3

Aaron M Green
CNA
Term(s): 10-01-2020 - 12-31-2021

Position Number: 7

Sarah K Horn
Nursing Administrator
Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2023

Position Number: 3

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Nursing, Oregon State Board of

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Policy Area: Health

Barbara J Turnipseed, Chair
Nonsupervisory; Direct Care

Position Number: 1

Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020
11-20-2015 - 12-31-2017

Judith L Woodruff, JD
Public Member

Position Number: 9

Term(s): 01-01-2020 - 12-31-2022

Michael L Wynter-Lightfoot
Public Member

Position Number: 6

Term(s): 02-14-2020 - 02-13-2023