



# MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate  
Date: October 27, 2021  
By: Leslie Porter, LPRO Analyst  
Re: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

## OREGON STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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

### Appointees

Michelle Chau of Happy Valley; Reappointment  
Yvonne Duan of Beaverton; New Appointment  
Aaron Green of Springfield; Reappointment

### Term

Chau: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2024  
Duan: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2024  
Green: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2024

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

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

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Statutory Requirements<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.<sup>4</sup> 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

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

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2019\)](#).

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

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 678.140 \(2019\)](#).

any other professional organization representing registered nurses. The Governor must ensure that the following areas of practice are represented on the board:

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

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 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 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.<sup>5</sup> The board must:<sup>6</sup>

- 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, and scope of practice;
- exercise general supervision over the practice of nursing in this state;
- keep a record of all its proceedings and 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:<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> Oregon State Board of Nursing, *About Us*, <https://www.oregon.gov/osbn/Pages/about-us.aspx> (last visited November 19, 2020).

<sup>6</sup> [ORS 678.050 to 678.448 \(2019\)](#).

<sup>7</sup> *Id.*

- require applicants, licensees, and certificate holders to provide to the board data concerning the individual's nursing employment and education;
- for the purpose of requesting criminal records checks, require 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;
- 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
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Sheryl Caddy Nursing Educator Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2023 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2020	Position Number: 5
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Michelle H Chau LPN Term(s): 01-01-2022 - 12-31-2024 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021	Position Number: 8
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Kat Chinn, Chair Nurse Practitioner Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2021 01-01-2016 - 12-31-2018	Position Number: 4
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Yvonne Duan Nurse Practitioner Term(s): 01-01-2022 - 12-31-2024	Position Number: 4
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Aaron M Green CNA Term(s): 01-01-2022 - 12-31-2024 10-01-2020 - 12-31-2021	Position Number: 7
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Sarah K Horn Nursing Administrator Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2023	Position Number: 2
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Angela G Powell Nonsupervisory; Direct Care Term(s): 04-19-2021 - 12-31-2023	Position Number: 3
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**Member Name and Address** (Alphabetical)

**Policy Area:** Health

Judith L Woodruff, JD Public Member Term(s): 01-01-2020 - 12-31-2022	Position Number: 9
Michael L Wynter-Lightfoot Public Member Term(s): 02-14-2020 - 02-13-2023	Position Number: 6