



# MEMORANDUM

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Regarding: Review of Executive Appointments  
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## OREGON HEALTH POLICY BOARD

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The Governor has reappointed the following individual to the Oregon Health Policy Board, subject to Senate confirmation:<sup>1</sup>

### Reappointee

Oscar Arana of Portland

### Term

01-01-2022 – 12-31-2025

### Statutory Authority

[ORS 413.006 \(2021\)](#).

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

Required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of nine members who are U.S. citizens and Oregon residents, representing geographic, ethnic, gender, racial, and economic diversities to the extent possible, with demonstrated leadership in their professional and civic lives and collectively offering experience in consumer advocacy, management of a company that offers health insurance, public health, finance, organized labor, health care, and small business operation. (**ARANA, BANGSBERG, GOMEZ, ISAACSON, JOHNSON, KRAMER, SAMPSON, SANTA, and SLOAN CLARKE.**)

Appointees serve four-year terms; at least one has an active license to provide health care; and no more than four may be employed in a health care field, derive household income from a health care field, or receive health care benefits from a publicly funded state health plan during the year preceding their appointment through the end of their service.

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III, §4](#); [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 413.006 to 413.008 \(2021\)](#); and see [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

The Governor designates a chair and vice chair; a majority constitutes a quorum; and the board meets at least once a month and at least once every two years in each congressional district.

## **Duties<sup>4</sup>**

The board oversees and makes policy for the Oregon Health Authority. Its duties include:

- developing a program to provide health insurance premium assistance to all low- and moderate-income individuals who are legal residents of Oregon;
- publishing anonymized, aggregate data collected by the Oregon Health Authority;
- establishing evidence-based clinical standards and practice guidelines for providers;
- approving and monitoring community-centered health initiatives that are consistent with public health goals, strategies, programs, and performance standards, and regularly reporting to the legislature;
- establishing cost containment mechanisms to reduce the costs of care;
- ensuring the health care workforce is sufficient in numbers and training to meet demand resulting from expansions in coverage, health care system transformations, and an increasingly diverse and aging population;
- working with the state's congressional delegation to advance changes that promote Oregon's comprehensive health reform plan;
- establishing a health benefit package to be used as a baseline for all health benefit plans offered through the health insurance exchange;
- investigating and reporting annually to the legislature concerning the feasibility and advisability of future changes to the health insurance market in Oregon;
- meeting cost-containment goals;
- overseeing the expenditure of moneys from the Health Care Workforce Strategic Fund;
- working with the Public Health Benefit Purchasers Committee, administrators of the medical assistance program (Medicaid), and the Department of Corrections to identify uniform contracting standards for health benefit plans;
- appointing membership to and working with the Health Information Technology Oversight Council to foster health information technology systems and practices that promote the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated Health Care Delivery System and align health information technology systems and practices across the state; and
- establishing and working with specified committees.

The board may also

- organize and reorganize the Oregon Health Authority to accomplish the Authority's work, subject to governor approval; and
- submit requests for proposed legislation every even-numbered year as needed to authorize its activities or implement its recommendations.

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<sup>4</sup> [ORS 413.011 to 413.308 \(2021\)](#).

# Executive Appointments Board Roster

## Health Policy Board, Oregon

Agency: Oregon Health Authority  
Authorization: ORS 413.006  
Members: Min: 9 Max: 9  
Term Length: 4 years Limit: 2  
Senate confirmation required? Yes

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Current Appointments:

#### Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Oscar U Arana

Position Number: 5

Term(s): 01-01-2022 - 12-31-2025  
01-01-2018 - 12-31-2021  
06-01-2016 - 12-31-2017

David R Bangsberg, MD, MPH

Position Number: 6

Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2024  
06-01-2017 - 12-31-2020

Jessica L Gomez

Position Number: 7

Term(s): 05-14-2021 - 12-31-2024

Kirsten L Isaacson

Position Number: 3

Term(s): 01-01-2019 - 12-31-2022

Brenda I Johnson

Position Number: 4

Term(s): 01-01-2022 - 12-31-2025  
01-01-2018 - 12-31-2021  
06-01-2016 - 12-31-2017

William E Kramer

Position Number: 8

Term(s): 05-14-2021 - 12-31-2024

Sandy Sampson

Position Number: 9

Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 12-31-2022

John S Santa, MD

Position Number: 2

Term(s): 01-01-2020 - 12-31-2023  
06-01-2017 - 12-31-2019

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## Health Policy Board, Oregon

**Member Name and Address** (Alphabetical)

**Policy Area:** Health

Ebony S Sloan Clarke

Position Number: 1

Term(s): 10-01-2020 - 12-31-2023