



MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate
Regarding: Review of Executive Appointments
Date: May 18, 2022

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

RESPIRATORY THERAPIST AND POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC ADVISORY BOARD

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Advisory Board, subject to Senate confirmation:¹

New Appointees

Lori Freimark of Oregon City

Term

06-10-2022 – 11-30-2023

Statutory Authority

[ORS 688.820 \(2021\)](#).

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The board consists of seven state residents who serve four-year terms:

- three respiratory care practitioners (**FREIMARK**, GARBERG and WOODMAN) who have been in practice for five or more years immediately preceding appointment;
- two polysomnography practitioners (EASBEY and ESPINOZA) who have likewise been in practice for five or more years immediately preceding appointment;
- one qualified medical director for polysomnography or for respiratory care (LEFOR); and
- one member of the general public (HERRERA-FUENTES).

The Oregon Society for Respiratory Care or another professional organization representing respiratory care practitioners or polysomnographic technologists may submit a list of three to five nominees per vacancy for the Governor's consideration. The board selects its chair and vice chair.

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

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

³ [ORS 688.820 \(2021\)](#); and see [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

Duties⁴

The board oversees respiratory therapists and polysomnographic technologists. It is responsible for establishing and enforcing standards of practice and professionalism for persons authorized to practice by the Health Licensing Office within the Oregon Health Authority; and provides for examination waivers, grandfathering requirements and temporary authorizations to practice as appropriate.

⁴ [ORS 688.825 to 688.830 \(2021\)](#); and Oregon Health Authority, *Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board* <<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Pages/Board-RTPT.aspx>> (last visited May 12, 2022).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board

Agency: Health Licensing Office
Authorization: ORS 688.820
Members: Min: 7 Max: 7
Term Length: 4 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Health

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Mark A Easbey Polysomnographic Tech Term(s): 11-25-2019 - 11-24-2023	Position Number: 6
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Mike Erickson, RRT Respiratory Care Practitioner Term(s): 06-01-2021 - 05-31-2025	Position Number: 1
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Jacob Espinoza Polysomnographer Term(s): 03-01-2020 - 02-29-2024 09-26-2016 - 02-29-2020	Position Number: 7
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Lori Freimark Respiratory Care Therapist Term(s): 06-10-2022 - 11-30-2023	Position Number: 4
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Pablo A Herrera-Fuentes Public Member Term(s): 11-25-2019 - 11-24-2023	Position Number: 5
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Michael J Lefor, MD Qualified Medical Director For Polysomnography or Respiratory Care Term(s): 03-01-2016 - 02-28-2020 03-01-2012 - 02-29-2016	Position Number: 3
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Sarah D Woodman (Fitzpatrick in WD) Term(s): 12-17-2018 - 12-16-2022	Position Number: 2
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