



MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate
Regarding: Review of Executive Appointments
Date: September 21, 2022

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

OREGON MEDICAL BOARD

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon Medical Board, subject to Senate confirmation:¹

New Appointments

Dr. Niknam Eshraghi of Portland
Dr. Eric Evans of Hillsboro

Term

09-28-2022 – 02-28-2025
09-28-2022 – 02-29-2024

Statutory Authority

[ORS 677.235 \(2021\)](#).

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The board consists of 14 state residents serving three-year terms, at least one from each congressional district, that include:

- seven Doctors of Medicine (CAHN, **ESHRAGHI**, GOLDSTEIN, HARDER, LEE-VALKOV, LIN and TAKSALI);
- two Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine (POULSEN and SHAW);
- one Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (**EVANS**);
- one licensed physician assistant or retired physician assistant (CRAMER); and
- three representatives of the public / health consumers, not otherwise eligible for appointment, who have no familial ties to another public appointee or any health care professionals licensed in Oregon (LOUIE, MAGEEHON and PEREIRA).

Appointees who are physicians and the member who is a physician assistant or a retired physician assistant must have been actively practicing for at least five years immediately preceding appointment. Also, these appointees may be selected from lists of three to five candidates submitted by specified corresponding professional associations.

The board selects its chair annually, and the chair designates between one and three emeritus members, subject to governor approval, whose terms ended within three years of being designated.

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

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

³ [ORS 677.235](#) and [677.240 \(2021\)](#); see also [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

Duties⁴

The board regulates the practice of medicine in a manner that promotes safe access to quality care. Its duties include:

- electing its officers;
- holding meetings at least twice each year to examine license applications;
- notifying practitioners authorized to prescribe opioids or opiates of any guidelines or recommendations established by any association whose members are regulated by the board;
- making rules regarding the dimension and design for printing and posting signage required for physicians participating in the Medicare assignment program;
- defining medical incompetence, unprofessional conduct, and physical incapacity or impairment by rule;
- making rules to codify licensing standards and tests for the practice of medicine and podiatry; to set administrative fees and charges; and for the board's general supervision of the practice of medicine and podiatry;
- taking all actions with respect to licensure as appropriate, including issuance, denial, suspension, revocation, probation, restriction and injunction, and assessing corresponding costs and / or civil penalties;
- making its personnel and facilities available to other regulatory agencies or bodies interested in the development and improvement of the practice of medicine or podiatry and engaging in corresponding negotiations;
- appointing examiners and employing or contracting with organizations, agencies, and persons to prepare examination questions and score examination results;
- accepting or approving schools, colleges, universities, institutions, and other training facilities in connection with licensing;
- prescribing the time, place, method, manner, scope, and subjects of examinations;
- employing consultants, investigators and staff for enforcement purposes;
- conducting investigations and hearings, ordering examinations, and enforcing board orders with respect to any complaint or alleged violation;
- administering a revolving account under \$50,000 of pass-through funds for peer review and education / rehabilitation concerned with competence, chemical substance abuse, and inappropriate prescribing; and
- provide information concerning the revocation or restriction of a physician's activities at a health care facility to any other licensed health care facility at which the concerned physician holds or has applied for privileges or other right to practice.

⁴ [ORS 677.089 to 677.837 \(2021\)](#); Oregon Medical Board website, *Agency Overview and Mission*, <<https://www.oregon.gov/omb/board/about/Pages/about-us-overview.aspx>> (last visited September 5, 2022).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Medical Board, Oregon

Agency: None
Authorization: ORS 677.235, SB 905
Members: Min: 14 Max: 14
Term Length: 3 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Health

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Robert M Cahn, MD Doctor of Medicine Term(s): 03-01-2019 - 02-28-2022 06-01-2016 - 02-28-2019	Position Number: 2
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Erin L Cramer Physician Assistant Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 02-28-2025 03-01-2019 - 02-28-2022 09-28-2018 - 02-28-2019	Position Number: 13
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Niknam Eshragi Doctor of Medicine, CD 3 Term(s): 09-28-2022 - 02-28-2025	Position Number: 9
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Eric Evans Podiatrist Term(s): 09-28-2022 - 02-29-2024	Position Number: 12
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Rick Goldstein Doctor of Medicine, CD 2 Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 02-28-2025	Position Number: 8
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Kathleen M Harder Doctor of Medicine, CD 5 Term(s): 03-01-2020 - 02-28-2023 05-03-2017 - 02-29-2020	Position Number: 6
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Paula M Lee-Valkov, MD Doctor of Medicine Term(s): 04-19-2021 - 02-29-2024	Position Number: 5
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Charlotte Lin Doctor of Medicine, CD2 Term(s): 03-01-2021 - 02-29-2024 03-01-2018 - 02-28-2021	Position Number: 4
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Medical Board, Oregon

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Policy Area: Health

Patti Louie, PhD Public Member Term(s): 03-01-2021 - 02-29-2024 05-25-2018 - 02-28-2021	Position Number: 7
Ali Mageehon, PhD Public Member Term(s): 03-01-2020 - 02-28-2023	Position Number: 14
Cheryl B Pereira Public Member Term(s): 03-01-2020 - 02-28-2023 05-03-2017 - 02-29-2020	Position Number: 11
Chris Poulsen Osteopathic Physician Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 02-28-2025 03-01-2019 - 02-28-2022	Position Number: 1
Jill M Shaw, DO Osteopathic Physician Term(s): 03-01-2020 - 02-28-2023	Position Number: 3
Sudeep Taksali Doctor of Medicine Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 02-28-2025 11-19-2021 - 02-28-2022	Position Number: 10