

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Oregon State Senate
DATE: April 18, 2023
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Health Insurance Exchange Advisory Committee subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointees

Danielle Nichols of Springfield
Shannon Lee of Silverton

Terms

Both nominees: April 26, 2023 – April 25, 2025

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 741.004 \(2021\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The committee consists of 15 members, 13 of whom are appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.⁴ Appointed members serve two-year terms and at the pleasure of the Governor. The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services (STOLFI) and the Director of the Oregon Health Authority or designee (VACANT) serve as ex officio members of the committee.

The 13 members appointed by the Governor must represent the interests of:

- insurers (ANDERSON, HARMON, HOPPER, TARAB);
- insurance producers (BOUTWELL, GALLINAT, SUKHEENAI);
- navigators, in-person assisters, application counselors, and other individuals with experience in facilitating enrollment in qualified health plans (MOORE, SORENSON, TEMPERLY);
- health care providers (**NICHOLS**);

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

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

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

⁴ [ORS 741.004 \(2021\)](#).

- the business community, including small businesses and self-employed individuals (KEMPER);
- consumer advocacy groups, including advocates for enrolling hard-to-reach populations (GUARINO, LEE);
- enrollees in health benefit plans (KEMPER); and
- state agencies that administer the medical assistance program (VACANT).

Duties and Authority

The committee is required to advise the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services in the development and implementation of the policies and operational procedures governing the administration of a health insurance exchange in this state including, but not limited to:⁵

- the amount of the assessment imposed on insurers;
- the implementation of a Small Business Health Options Program;
- the processes and procedures to enable each insurance producer to be authorized to act for all of the insurers offering health benefit plans through the health insurance exchange;
- the affordability of health benefit plans offered by employers;
- outreach strategies for reaching minority and low-income communities;
- solicitation of customer feedback; and
- the affordability of health benefit plans offered through the exchange.

The committee must provide annual reports to the Legislative Assembly of the findings and recommendations the committee considers appropriate, including a report on the:⁶

- adequacy of assessments for reserve programs and administrative costs;
- implementation of the Small Business Health Options Program;
- number of qualified health plans offered through the exchange;
- number and demographics of individuals enrolled in qualified health plans;
- advance premium tax credits provided to enrollees in qualified health plans; and
- feedback from the community about satisfaction with the operation of the exchange and qualified health plans offered through the exchange.

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ *Id.*



Health Insurance Exchange Advisory Committee

Agency: **Consumer & Business Services**

Authorization: **ORS 741.004 | SB 1**

Min Members: **13** Max Members: **15**

Term Length: **2** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Chiqui Flowers**

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Current Appointments

Hopper, Lindsey

Insurers

Position Number: **1**

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024**

Harmon, Paul

Insurers Rep (w/ Provider Arm)

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024**

Boutwell, Gladys

Insurance Producers/Agents

Position Number: **3**

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024**

Sukheenai, Om

Insurance Producers/Agents

Position Number: **4**

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024**

Nichols, Danielle

Medical Provider

Position Number: **5**

Term(s): **4/26/2023 - 4/25/2025**

Temperly, Nashoba

Navigators, etc

Position Number: **6**

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024**

Moore, Joannette

Tribal Representative

Position Number: **7**

Term(s): **9/28/2022 - 9/27/2024**

Sorensen, Holly

Navigators, etc

Position Number: **8**

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024**

Kemper, Ines Business Rep and Enrollee Position Number: 9	Term(s):	3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024
Guarino, Maribeth Consumer Advocacy Position Number: 10	Term(s):	2/17/2022 - 2/16/2024 11/9/2021 - 2/16/2022
Lee, Shannon Consumer Position Number: 11	Term(s):	4/26/2023 - 4/25/2025
Mr Anderson, Kraig E Insurers Position Number: 12	Term(s):	2/17/2022 - 2/16/2024 2/17/2020 - 2/16/2022 2/17/2018 - 2/16/2020
Mr Gallinat, Ron A Insurance Producers/Agents Position Number: 13	Term(s):	11/19/2021 - 11/18/2023
Tarab, Andrew Insurers (w/ Provider Arm) Position Number: 14	Term(s):	3/1/2022 - 2/29/2024
Mr Stolfi, Andrew R OHA Designee Position Number: 15	Term(s):	-

Vacant Positions
