

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Oregon State Senate
DATE: May 9, 2023
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



HEALTH EVIDENCE REVIEW COMMISSION

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Health Evidence Review Commission subject to Senate confirmation.¹

Reappointee

Kathryn Schabel of Portland

Term

May 15, 2023 – May 14, 2027

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 414.688 \(2021\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The commission consists of 13 members appointed by the Governor in consultation with professional and other interested organizations and confirmed by the Senate.⁴

- Five members must be physicians licensed to practice medicine in this state who have clinical expertise in the areas of family medicine (KAISER), internal medicine (KANSAGARA, OLSON), obstetrics (HOFFMAN), perinatal health, pediatrics, disabilities, geriatrics, or general surgery (**SCHABEL**). One of the physicians must be a doctor of osteopathic medicine, and one must be a hospital representative or a physician whose practice is significantly hospital-based.
- One member must be a licensed dentist who has clinical expertise in general, pediatric, or public health dentistry (GEISLER).
- One member must be a public health nurse (PINZON).
- One member must be a behavioral health representative who may be a social services worker, alcohol and drug treatment provider, psychologist or psychiatrist (LINDSEY).

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 414.688 \(2021\)](#).

- Two members must be consumers of health care who are patient advocates or represent the areas of indigent services, labor, business, education, or corrections (COLLINS, SUTTON).
- One member must be a complementary or alternative medicine provider who is a licensed chiropractic physician, a licensed naturopathic physician, or a licensed acupuncturist (ESPESETE).
- One member must be an insurance industry representative who may be a medical director or other administrator (HODGES).
- One member must be a pharmacy representative who engages in the practice of pharmacy at a retail drug outlet (IRWIN).

No more than six members of the commission may be physicians either in active practice or retired from practice. Members serve four-year terms and at the pleasure of the Governor. The commission must select one of its members as chairperson and another as vice chairperson, for terms and with duties and powers the commission determines necessary for the performance of the functions of the offices.⁵

Duties and Authority

The commission develops and maintains a prioritized list of health services which are reported to the Oregon Health Authority, Legislative Assembly, and the Governor.⁶ In completing this work, the commission must:

- regularly solicit testimony and information from stakeholders representing consumers, advocates, providers, carriers, and employers in conducting the work of the commission;
- actively solicit public involvement through a public meeting process to guide health resource allocation decisions;
- consider both the clinical effectiveness and cost effectiveness of health services, including drug therapies, in determining their relative importance using peer-reviewed medical literature;
- develop and administer a medical technology assessment process to evaluate the effectiveness of research of medical technologies; and
- consult with an advisory committee in determining priorities for mental health care and chemical dependency.

⁵ [ORS 414.689 \(2021\)](#).

⁶ [ORS 414.690 to 414.704 \(2021\)](#).



Health Evidence Review Commission

Agency: **Oregon Health Authority**

Authorization: **ORS 414.688**

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

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Jason Gingerich**

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Current Appointments

Dr Hodges, Holly Jo L MD Insurance Industry Representative Position Number: 1	Term(s): 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2022 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2018
DO Kaiser, Maximilian "Max" S Position Number: 2	Term(s): 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2023
Dr Hoffman, Benjamin "Ben" D Position Number: 3	Term(s): 3/1/2022 - 2/28/2026
Dr Schabel, Kathryn "Kate" LS Physician Position Number: 4	Term(s): 5/15/2023 - 5/14/2027 5/15/2019 - 5/14/2023
Dr Olson, Kevin D MD Physician Position Number: 5	Term(s): 2/17/2020 - 2/16/2024 2/17/2016 - 2/16/2020
Geisler, Stacy Dentist Position Number: 6	Term(s): 1/1/2022 - 12/12/2025
Pinzon, Cristina "Cris" B Public Health Nurse Position Number: 7	Term(s): 3/15/2021 - 3/14/2025
Dr Lindsey, Lynnea PhD Position Number: 8	Term(s): 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2024 1/1/2018 - 12/31/2021 9/25/2017 - 12/31/2017
Mr Collins, Michael "Mike" J Position Number: 9	Term(s): 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2023

Ms Sutton, Leslie J Consumer Representative Position Number: 10	Term(s):	6/1/2017 - 5/31/2021
Espesete, Deborah "Deb" E Position Number: 11	Term(s):	2/17/2020 - 2/16/2024
Dr Irwin, Adriane N Pharmacist Position Number: 12	Term(s):	1/1/2022 - 12/31/2025 1/1/2018 - 12/31/2021
Dr Kansagara, Devan L Physician Position Number: 13	Term(s):	1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2022 9/25/2017 - 12/31/2018

Vacant Positions