# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Interim Committee on Rules and Executive Appointments

DATE: October 31, 2025

BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



### **OREGON PATIENT SAFETY COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Oregon Patient Safety Commission Board of Directors subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

# **New Appointments**

Kendra Murray of Roseburg Justine Summers of Portland

#### **Terms**

November 20, 2025 – July 1, 2029

### **Appointment/Confirmation Authority**

ORS 442.830 (2023)

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

Not required.

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

The board consists of 17 members:

- one Oregon university faculty member who is not involved in the direct delivery of health care (CALDWELL);
- two health care group purchasers (BUI, **MURRAY**):
  - o one employed by a governmental entity (BUI);
- two health care consumers (DAYTON, RUSSELL MORRIS);
- two health insurers, including (VACANT):
  - o a domestic not-for-profit health care service contractor;
  - o a domestic insurance company licensed to transact health insurance; or
  - a health maintenance organization (SUMMERS);
- one representative of a statewide or national labor organization (VACANT);
- two active licensed physicians (DANNENHOFFER, SHATSKY);
- two hospital administrators or their designees (MIKULA, STEEN);
- one licensed pharmacist (HUFFT);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Or. Const. art. III sect. 4, ORS 171.562 and 171.565 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ORS 244.050 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ORS 442.830 (2023); ORS 182.100 (2023) for affirmative action policy; ORS 236.115 (2023) for diversity criteria.

- one ambulatory surgical center or outpatient renal dialysis facility representative (MILLER);
- one active licensed nurse (BYERS);
- one licensed nursing home administrator or nursing home director of nursing services (SPRANDO); and
- the State Public Health Officer or designee (SELOVER).

Members serve four-year terms and are eligible for reappointment. The board selects its chair and vice chair. No voting member may be an employee of the commission. The health care group purchasers and consumers may not provide direct health care services or have an immediate family member who does the same.

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

The Oregon Patient Safety Commission is a semi-independent state agency that improves patient safety by reducing the risk of serious adverse events occurring in Oregon's health care system and by encouraging a culture of patient safety. The board exercises the power of, and provides governance to, the commission.

#### The board must:

- adopt rules necessary for the implementation of the Oregon Patient Safety Reporting Program;
- maintain the confidentiality of all patient safety data; and
- appoint a commission administrator.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ORS 442.820 to 442.835 (2023).



LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

# Patient Safety Commission Board of Directors, Oregon

Agency: Semi-Independent

Authorization: ORS 442.830

Min Members: 17 Max Members: 17

Term Length: 4 Term Limit: 2

Senate Confirmation Required?: Yes

Policy Area: Health

Board Admin: Val Harmon

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#### **Current Appointments**

Caldwell, Hollie

Faculty Member Rep

Appointed By: Governor Position Number: 1

Term(s):

4/26/2023 - 7/1/2026

Murray, Kendra

Private Purchaser of Group Healthcare

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: 2

Term(s):

Term(s):

11/20/2025 - 7/1/2029

10/1/2022 - 9/30/2026

12/17/2018 - 9/30/2022

Bui, Lisa T

**Public Purchaser** 

Position Number: 3

Appointed By: Governor

Ms Dayton, Gwen M JD

Healthcare Consumer

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: 4

Term(s):

7/2/2024 - 7/1/2028

6/1/2024 - 7/1/2024

Russell Morris, Jessica H

Healthcare Consumer

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: 5

Term(s):

10/1/2023 - 9/30/2027

10/1/2019 - 9/30/2023

Summers, Justine

Health Insurer

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: 6

Term(s):

11/20/2025 - 7/1/2029

Dr Engrav, Mary B MD	Term(s):	3/1/2021 - 9/30/2024
Insurer		
Appointed By: Governor  Position Number: <b>7</b>		
Shatsky, Mark	Term(s):	3/1/2025 - 7/1/2028
Physician		
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>9</b>		
Dr. Dannenhoffer, Robert L MD	Term(s):	10/1/2024 - 9/30/2028
Physician		3/1/2021 - 9/30/2024
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>10</b>		
Dr Mikula, Margaret I	Term(s):	10/5/2023 - 7/1/2027
Hospital Administrator		
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>11</b>		
Steen, Susan	Term(s):	2/16/2024 - 7/1/2027
Hospital Administrator		
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>12</b>		
Hufft, Katherine	Term(s):	10/1/2022 - 7/1/2026
Pharmacist		
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: 13		
Miller, Jamie	Term(s):	3/1/2025 - 7/1/2028
Ambulatory Surgery Center Representative		
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>14</b>		
Byers, Brett	Term(s):	7/2/2024 - 7/1/2028
Nurse		6/1/2024 - 7/1/2024
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>15</b>		
Sprando, Erin	Term(s):	4/26/2023 - 7/1/2026
Nursing Facility Rep		
Appointed By: Governor		
Position Number: <b>16</b>		

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Term(s): Public Health Officer or Designee; By Position

Appointed By: Statute/Bill

Position Number: 17

#### Vacant Positions

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Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End		
8	Hurst, Heather L	Governor	3/1/2021	9/30/2024		
8	Ms Tobias-White, Natasha P	Governor	10/1/2016	9/30/2020		
8	Ms Tobias-White, Natasha P	Governor	12/1/2011	9/30/2015		
8	Ms King, Susan E RN	Governor	7/2/2006	7/1/2010		
8	Ms King, Susan E RN	Governor	2/1/2004	7/1/2006		