

# A-Engrossed House Bill 2040

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## SUMMARY

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Adds two members to Traditional Health Workers Commission.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to the Traditional Health Workers Commission; amending ORS 413.600.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 413.600 is amended to read:

5 413.600. (1) There is established within the Oregon Health Authority the Traditional Health  
6 Workers Commission.

7 (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Authority shall appoint the following [19] **21** members to  
8 serve on the commission:

9 (a) [Ten] **Eleven** members, at least six of whom must be appointed from nominees provided by  
10 the Oregon Community Health Workers Association, who represent traditional health workers, in-  
11 cluding at least one member to represent each of the following:

12 (A) Community health workers, as defined in ORS 414.025;

13 (B) Personal health navigators, as defined in ORS 414.025;

14 (C) Peer wellness specialists, [including family support specialists and youth support specialists,  
15 all] as defined in ORS 414.025;

16 (D) Peer support specialists, [including family support specialists and youth support specialists,  
17 all] as defined in ORS 414.025; [and]

18 (E) Doulas;

19 **(F) Family support specialists, as defined in ORS 414.025; and**

20 **(G) Youth support specialists, as defined in ORS 414.025;**

21 (b) One member who represents the Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development;

22 (c) One member who is a community health nurse who represents the Oregon Nurses Associ-  
23 ation;

24 (d) One member who is a physician [who represents the Oregon Medical Association] **licensed in**  
25 **this state;**

26 (e) One member selected from nominees provided by the Home Care Commission;

27 (f) One member who represents coordinated care organizations;

28 (g) One member who represents a labor organization;

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (h) One member who supervises traditional health workers at a community-based organization,  
2 local health department, as defined in ORS 433.235, or agency, as defined in ORS 183.310;

3 (i) One member who represents community-based organizations or agencies, as defined in ORS  
4 183.310, that provide for the training of traditional health workers; *[and]*

5 (j) One member who represents a consumer of services provided by health workers who are not  
6 licensed by this state[.]; **and**

7 **(k) One member who represents providers of Indian health services that work with tra-**  
8 **ditional health workers qualified under ORS 414.665, a federally recognized tribe or a tribal**  
9 **organization.**

10 (3) In appointing members under subsection (2) of this section, the director shall consider  
11 whether the composition of the Traditional Health Workers Commission represents the geographic,  
12 ethnic, gender, racial, disability status, gender identity, sexual orientation and economic diversity  
13 of traditional health workers.

14 (4) The term of office of each member of the commission is three years, but a member serves  
15 at the pleasure of the director. Before the expiration of the term of a member, the director shall  
16 appoint a successor whose term begins on January 1 next following. A member is eligible for re-  
17 appointment. If there is a vacancy for any cause, the director shall make an appointment to become  
18 immediately effective for the unexpired term.

19 (5) A majority of the members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of  
20 business.

21 (6) Official action by the commission requires the approval of a majority of the members of the  
22 commission.

23 (7) The commission shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

24 (8) The commission shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or  
25 of a majority of the members of the commission.

26 (9) The commission may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the commission.

27 (10) A member of the commission is entitled to compensation and expenses as provided in ORS  
28 292.495.

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