

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules
DATE: September 15, 2023
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



HEALTH EVIDENCE REVIEW COMMISSION

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

New Appointee

Lawrence Lyon of Veneta

Reappointees

Michael Collins of Warm Springs
Maximillian Kaiser of Corvallis
Leslie Sutton of Portland

Terms

Collins: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2027
Kaiser: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2027
Lyon: January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2027
Sutton: June 1, 2021 – May 31, 2025

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

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

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

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

- five licensed physicians who have clinical expertise in the areas of family medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics, perinatal health, pediatrics, disabilities, geriatrics, or general surgery (HOFFMAN, KANSAGARA, **KAISER**, **LYON**, OLSON, SCHABEL);
 - one of these physicians must be an osteopathic doctor (**KAISER**); and

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

- one must be a hospital representative or a physician whose practice is significantly hospital-based (OLSON);
- one licensed dentist who has clinical expertise in general, pediatric, or public health dentistry (GEISLER);
- one public health nurse (PINZON);
- one behavioral health representative who may be a social services worker, alcohol and drug treatment provider, psychologist, or psychiatrist (LINDSEY);
- two health care consumers who are patient advocates or represent the areas of indigent services, labor, business, education, or corrections (**COLLINS, SUTTON**);
- one complementary or alternative medicine provider who is a licensed chiropractic physician, naturopathic physician, or acupuncturist (ESPESETE);
- one insurance industry representative who may be a medical director or other administrator (VACANT); and
- one pharmacy representative from a retail drug outlet (IRWIN).

No more than six members 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 selects one of its members as chair and another as vice chair.⁵

Duties

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: **Health Authority, Oregon**

Authorization: **ORS 414.688 & .689**

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

Dr. Lyon, Lawrence

Physician

Position Number: **1**

Term(s): **10/5/2023 - 10/4/2027**

DO Kaiser, Maximilian "Max" S

Osteopathic Physician

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026**

1/1/2020 - 12/31/2023

Dr Hoffman, Benjamin "Ben" D

Physician (Pediatrics)

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	Term(s):	1/1/2022 - 12/31/2025
Position Number: 8		1/1/2018 - 12/31/2021
		9/25/2017 - 12/31/2017
Mr Collins, Michael "Mike" J	Term(s):	1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026
Consumer Representative		1/1/2020 - 12/31/2023
Position Number: 9		
Ms Sutton, Leslie J	Term(s):	6/1/2021 - 5/31/2025
Consumer Representative		6/1/2017 - 5/31/2021
Position Number: 10		
Espesete, Deborah "Deb" E	Term(s):	2/17/2020 - 2/16/2024
Position Number: 11		
Dr Irwin, Adriane N	Term(s):	1/1/2022 - 12/31/2025
Pharmacist		1/1/2018 - 12/31/2021
Position Number: 12		
Dr Kansagara, Devan L	Term(s):	1/1/2023 - 12/31/2026
Physician		1/1/2019 - 12/31/2022
Position Number: 13		9/25/2017 - 12/31/2018

Vacant Positions