

Memorandum

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



BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS REGULATORY BOARD

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Behavior Analysis Regulatory Board subject to Senate confirmation.¹

Reappointee

Meghan Johns of Hood River

Term

December 17, 2022 – December 16, 2026

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 676.806 \(2021\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor.⁴

- four members who are licensed by the board (**JOHNS**, PARNHAM, STUMP, WHITE).
- one member who is a licensed psychiatrist, with experience or training in treating autism spectrum disorder (VACANT);
- one member who is a licensed psychologist, with experience or training in treating autism spectrum disorder (MCMAHON);
- one member who is a licensed developmental pediatrician, with experience or training in treating autism spectrum disorder (VACANT);
- one member of the general public who does not have a financial interest in the provision of applied behavior analysis and does not have a ward or family member who has been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (HENDERSHOTT); and

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 676.806 \(2021\)](#).

- one member who is a parent, guardian or family member of an individual who has been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder and has received some form of applied behavior analysis therapy (LEGAARD).

Not more than one member of the board may be an employee of an insurer. Members serve four-year terms, at the pleasure of the Governor, and may be reappointed. Board members select a chair and vice chair. The board must meet at least once every year and at the call of the chairperson or a majority of the members of the board.

Duties and Authority

The board oversees the licensing and registration of behavior analysts, assistant behavior analysts, and behavior analyst interventionists. Applied behavior analysis is a therapeutic modality often used to treat people with autism spectrum disorder.

The board must:⁵

- establish by rule criteria and procedures for the licensing of behavior analysts and guidelines for the professional methods and procedures to be used by licensed individuals;
- investigate complaints against licensees, applicants, or other persons alleged to be practicing in violation of law;
- keep confidential and not disclose to the public any information obtained by the board as part of an investigation except as authorized in statute;
- operate with the primary purposes of promoting the quality of health services provided, protecting the public health, safety and welfare by ensuring that licensees practice with professional skill and safety and addressing impairment among licensees;
- issue an authorization to a military spouse or domestic partner if the military spouse or domestic partner provides the board with specified information;
- establish programs to increase the representation of people of color and bilingual people on the board and in the practice of behavior analysis, including activities to promote the education, recruitment and professional practice of members of these targeted populations in Oregon;
- maintain records of the racial and ethnic makeup of applicants and professionals regulated by the board; and
- report biennially to the Legislative Assembly on the representation of people of color and bilingual people on the board and in the practice of behavior analysis.

⁵ [ORS 676.165 to 676.810 \(2021\)](#).



The board may:⁶

- impose disciplinary sanction against a licensee or applicant by a vote of the board;
- require the fingerprints of a licensee seeking renewal of a license, an applicant for a license, a board employee or volunteer or an applicant for employment with the board; and
- in consultation with the Oregon Health Authority, adopt rules permitting practitioners to prescribe or dispense antibiotic drugs for the treatment of sexually transmitted infection to the partner of a patient without first examining the partner.

⁶ *Id.*



Behavior Analysis Regulatory Board

Agency: **Health Licensing Office**

Authorization: **ORS 676.806**

Min Members: **9** Max Members: **9**

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

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Derek Fultz**

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Current Appointments

Mrs White, Jennifer "Jenny" M BCBA Position Number: 2	Term(s): 2/14/2020 - 2/13/2024
Ms Johns, Meghan E BCBA Position Number: 3	Term(s): 12/17/2022 - 12/16/2026 12/17/2018 - 12/16/2022
Mrs Stump, Corey T BCBA Position Number: 4	Term(s): 11/1/2019 - 10/31/2023 9/23/2019 - 10/31/2019
Dr McMahon, Marie K Psychologist Position Number: 5	Term(s): 11/1/2019 - 10/31/2023 9/23/2019 - 10/31/2019
Mr Hendershott, Bradley J Public Member Position Number: 7	Term(s): 11/1/2020 - 10/31/2024 11/1/2016 - 10/31/2020
Mrs Parnham, Samantha "Sam" S BCBA Position Number: 8	Term(s): 11/1/2019 - 10/31/2023
Ms Legaard, Brenna K Parent/Family member of person diagnosed with Autism Position Number: 9	Term(s): 11/1/2019 - 10/31/2023 11/1/2015 - 10/31/2019

Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
1	Dr Raddish, Michele MD	Governor	11/1/2015	10/31/2019
1	Dr Raddish, Michele MD	Governor	11/1/2013	10/31/2017
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
6	Mr Cheng, Keith	Governor	11/1/2015	10/31/2019
6	Ms Donaldson, Amy L	Governor	11/1/2013	10/31/2017