

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
DATE: January 30, 2024  
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst  
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



## OREGON PATIENT SAFETY COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

### New Appointee

Susan Steen of Portland

### Term

February 16, 2024 – July 1, 2027

### 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. including:<sup>4</sup>

- one Oregon university faculty member who is not involved in the direct delivery of health care (CALDWELL);
- two group purchasers of health care, one of whom shall be employed by a governmental entity, and neither of whom provide direct health care services or have an immediate family member who does (BUI, VACANT);
- two health care consumers, neither of whom provide direct health care services or have an immediate family member who does (MORRIS, VACANT);
- two health insurers, including a domestic not-for-profit health care service contractor, a domestic insurance company licensed to transact health insurance, or a health maintenance organization (ENGRAV, MARVIN);
- one representative of a statewide or national labor organization (HURST);
- two licensed physicians who are in active practice (CHADAGA, DANNENHOFFER);
- two hospital administrators or their designees (MIKULA, **STEEN**);

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 442.830 \(2023\)](#).

- one licensed pharmacist (HUFFT);
- one representative of an ambulatory surgical center or outpatient renal dialysis facility (KETCHUM);
- one licensed nurse who is in active clinical practice (BEMETZ);
- 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.

### **Duties<sup>5</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 in Oregon. 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.

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<sup>5</sup> [ORS 442.820 to 442.835 \(2023\)](#).



## 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

<b>Caldwell, Hollie</b> Faculty Member Rep Position Number: <b>1</b>	Term(s): <b>4/26/2023 - 7/1/2026</b>
<b>Bui, Lisa T</b> Public Purchaser Position Number: <b>3</b>	Term(s): <b>10/1/2022 - 9/30/2026</b> <b>12/17/2018 - 9/30/2022</b>
<b>Russell Morris, Jessica H</b> Healthcare Consumer Position Number: <b>5</b>	Term(s): <b>10/1/2023 - 9/30/2027</b> <b>10/1/2019 - 9/30/2023</b>
<b>Dr Marvin, Judith</b> Insurer Position Number: <b>6</b>	Term(s): <b>10/1/2020 - 9/30/2024</b> <b>10/1/2016 - 9/30/2020</b>
<b>Dr Engrav, Mary B MD</b> Insurer Position Number: <b>7</b>	Term(s): <b>3/1/2021 - 9/30/2024</b>
<b>Dr Chadaga, Smitha R</b> Physician Position Number: <b>9</b>	Term(s): <b>3/1/2021 - 9/30/2024</b>
<b>Dr. Dannenhoffer, Robert L MD</b> Physician Position Number: <b>10</b>	Term(s): <b>3/1/2021 - 9/30/2024</b>
<b>Dr Mikula, Margaret I</b> Hospital Administrator Position Number: <b>11</b>	Term(s): <b>10/5/2023 - 7/1/2027</b>

<b>Steen, Susan</b>	Term(s):	<b>2/16/2024 - 7/1/2027</b>
Hospital Administrator		
Position Number: <b>12</b>		
<b>Hufft, Katherine</b>	Term(s):	<b>10/1/2022 - 7/1/2026</b>
Pharmacist		
Position Number: <b>13</b>		
<b>Ms Ketchum, Kristi K</b>	Term(s):	<b>3/1/2021 - 9/30/2024</b>
Ambulatory Surgical Center		
Position Number: <b>14</b>		
<b>Mrs Bemetz, Amanda J</b>	Term(s):	<b>3/1/2021 - 9/30/2023</b>
Nurse		
Position Number: <b>15</b>		
<b>Sprando, Erin</b>	Term(s):	<b>4/26/2023 - 7/1/2026</b>
Nursing Facility Rep		
Position Number: <b>16</b>		
<b>Dr Selover, Dana S</b>	Term(s):	-
Public Health Officer; By Position		
Position Number: <b>17</b>		

## Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
2	Ms Evans, Gayle M SPHR	Governor	10/1/2017	9/30/2021
2	Ms Evans, Gayle M SPHR	Governor	3/1/2014	9/30/2017
2	Mr Martin, James F	Governor	10/1/2009	9/30/2013
2	Mr Martin, James F	Governor	1/23/2006	9/30/2009
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
4	Ms Wells, Elaine M	Governor	10/1/2017	9/30/2021
4	Ms Price, Naomi K	Governor	10/1/2012	9/30/2016
4	Ms Price, Naomi K	Governor	7/1/2009	9/30/2012
4	Mr Goldner, Andreas M	Governor	7/2/2004	7/1/2008
4	Mr Goldner, Andreas M	Governor	2/1/2004	7/1/2004

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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