

Memorandum

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



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BOARD OF MEDICAL IMAGING

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Board of Medical Imaging subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointees

Myndi Hemphill of Hines
Tracy Mumper-Abdelqader of Beaverton
Jeffrey Owens of Waldport

Terms

February 16, 2024 – February 15, 2027

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 688.545 \(2023\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The board consists of 12 Oregon residents, including:

- one radiologist (PYLE);
- three licensed physicians who apply to serve (BIROUTI, KHAROTI, WHETSTONE);
- five individuals who are actively engaged medical imaging licensees, including:
 - one diagnostic medical sonographer (WOGU);
 - one magnetic resonance imager (**OWENS**);
 - one nuclear medicine technologist (BENNETT);
 - one radiation therapist (GILLILAND); and
 - one radiographer (**MUMPER-ABDELQADER**); and
- three members of the public (DEGMAN, **HEMPHILL**, PARROTT).

The Oregon Health Authority Radiation Protection Services section manager, or designee, is an advisory member of the board for the purpose of providing counsel.

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

² [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

³ [ORS 688.545 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

If not enough applications are received for the three licensed physician positions, the Governor may appoint these members from applicants who have been retired for fewer than six years and who are either registered with the board as retired emeritus physicians, or who provide the board with notice of retirement. If that fails to yield sufficient applications, the Governor may appoint the remaining board members among any combination of the following:

- a licensed chiropractic physician who is certified by the American Chiropractic Board of Radiology as a Diplomate of the American Chiropractic Board of Radiology;
- an actively engaged medical imaging licensee;
- a permitted limited X-ray machine operator; or
- a member of the public.

Licensee members may be selected by the Governor from a list of three to five nominees for each vacancy, submitted by a professional organization representing medical imaging licensees. Public members may not be otherwise eligible for appointment or be related to a person issued a license or permit by the board.

Members serve three-year terms. Seven members constitutes a quorum.

Duties⁴

The board regulates the practice of medical imaging. The board must:

- annually elect a chair and a vice chair;
- meet at least once every three months;
- issue licenses and permits;
- adopt rules;
- establish and collect reasonable fees;
- approve continuing education programs in medical imaging modalities and for limited X-ray machine operators;
- oversee examinations given each year for a limited X-ray machine operator permit; and
- require each licensee and permittee to submit evidence of continuing education pertinent to the license or permit.

⁴ [ORS 688.405 \(2023\) to ORS 688.605 \(2023\)](#).



Medical Imaging, Board of

Agency: **Health Authority, Oregon**

Authorization: **ORS 688.545**

Min Members: **12** Max Members: **12**

Term Length: **3** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Stacy Katler**

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Current Appointments

Dr Pyle, Chelsea MD

Physician/Radiologist

Position Number: **1**

Term(s):

11/19/2021 - 11/18/2024

Wogu, Katrina

Sonography

Position Number: **2**

Term(s):

6/10/2022 - 6/9/2025

Owens, Jeffrey

MRI Member

Position Number: **3**

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 2/15/2027

Hemphill, Myndi

Public Member

Position Number: **4**

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 2/15/2027

Parrott, Brian

Public Member

Position Number: **5**

Term(s):

9/28/2022 - 9/27/2025

Mumper-Abdelqader, Tracy

Radiographer

Position Number: **6**

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 2/15/2027

Gilliland, Kelli

Radiation Therapy

Position Number: **7**

Term(s):

6/10/2022 - 6/9/2025

Degman, Dustin

Public Member

Position Number: **8**

Term(s):

7/1/2023 - 6/30/2026

Ms Bennett, Vanessa R	Term(s):	5/25/2021 - 5/24/2024
Nuclear Medicine Technology		5/25/2018 - 5/24/2021
Position Number: 9		
Dr Kharoti, Yama K MD	Term(s):	5/15/2022 - 5/14/2025
Radiology		5/15/2019 - 5/14/2022
Position Number: 10		
Dr Birouti, Nourolhoda "Nour" MD	Term(s):	3/15/2023 - 3/14/2026
Radiology		3/15/2020 - 3/14/2023
Position Number: 11		
Dr Whetstone, Joseph "Joe" L MD	Term(s):	4/1/2021 - 3/31/2024
Physician (Radiologist)		
Position Number: 12		

Vacant Positions