

# 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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## STATE BOARD OF DIRECT ENTRY MIDWIFERY

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The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### New Appointees

Lennon Clark of Salem  
Mischa Ronick of Portland

### Terms

February 16, 2024 – February 15, 2027

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 687.470 \(2023\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of seven Oregon residents, including:

- four licensed direct entry midwives (**CLARK**, KLEIN, PETTIBONE, MANCE);
- one certified nurse midwife (MORALES);
- one licensed physician involved, at the time of appointment, in obstetrical care or education (**RONICK**); and
- one member of the public (EIVA).

Members serve three-year terms. Licensed direct entry midwives may be from a list of nominees, submitted by related professional organizations. The board elects its chair.<sup>4</sup>

### Duties<sup>5</sup>

The board must adopt rules for the administration of direct entry midwifery licensing, practice, and discipline.

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

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

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 687.470 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 687.475 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>5</sup> [ORS 687.480 \(2023\)](#).

## Direct Entry Midwifery, State Board of

Agency: **Health Licensing Office**

Authorization: **ORS 687.470 & .475; HB 2380**

Min Members: **7** Max Members: **7**

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

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Derek Fultz**

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## Current Appointments

<b>Klein, Meredith R</b> Licensed Direct Entry Midwife Position Number: <b>1</b>	Term(s): <b>7/1/2022 - 6/30/2025</b> <b>7/1/2019 - 6/30/2022</b> <b>12/17/2018 - 6/30/2019</b>
<b>Pettibone, Lynette M</b> Licensed Direct Entry Midwife Position Number: <b>2</b>	Term(s): <b>2/14/2023 - 8/13/2026</b> <b>2/14/2020 - 2/13/2023</b>
<b>Clark, Lennon</b> Licensed Direct Entry Midwife Position Number: <b>3</b>	Term(s): <b>2/16/2024 - 2/15/2027</b>
<b>Ms Morales, Christine S</b> Certified Nurse Midwife Position Number: <b>4</b>	Term(s): <b>3/1/2023 - 8/28/2026</b> <b>3/1/2020 - 2/28/2023</b> <b>9/23/2019 - 2/29/2020</b>
<b>Mance, Meredith</b> Licensed Direct Entry Midwife Position Number: <b>5</b>	Term(s): <b>7/1/2023 - 6/30/2026</b> <b>7/1/2020 - 6/30/2023</b>
<b>Ronick, Mischa</b> Licensed physician, with focus in prenatal care Position Number: <b>6</b>	Term(s): <b>2/16/2024 - 2/15/2027</b>
<b>Ms Eiva, Beth A</b> Public Member Position Number: <b>7</b>	Term(s): <b>6/1/2019 - 5/31/2022</b> <b>6/1/2016 - 5/31/2019</b>

## Vacant Positions