# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Interim Committee on Rules

and Executive Appointments

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BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



### **UNIVERSAL HEALTH PLAN GOVERNANCE BOARD**

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Universal Health Plan Governance Board, subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### **New Appointee**

J. Michael Leahy of Lake Oswego

### **Term**

Leahy: October 1, 2025 – January 1, 2029

### **Background**

Of the members first appointed:

Two shall serve until January 2, 2025:

Diaz; Richardson: February 16, 2024 – January 1, 2025;

Two shall serve until January 2, 2026:

Hennrich; Glass: February 16, 2024 – January 1, 2026;

Two shall serve until January 2, 2027:

Bellanca; Fellows: February 16, 2024 – January 1, 2027; and

Three shall serve until January 2, 2028:

Chi; Goldberg; Ramirez: February 16, 2024 – January 1, 2028.

## **Appointment/Confirmation Authority**

ORS 751.001 (2023)

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

Not required.

## Composition<sup>3</sup>

The commission consists of nine members:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Or. Const. art. III sect. 4, ORS 171.562 and 171.565 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ORS 244.050 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ORS 751.001 (2023); ORS 182.100 (2023) for affirmative action policy; ORS 236.115 (2023) for diversity criteria.

- five people with expertise in health care delivery, finance, operations, or public administration (BELLANCA, CHI, GOLDBERG, LEAHY, RICHARDSON); and
- four people focused on public engagement (FELLOWS, GLASS, HENNRICH, RAMIREZ).

Members must represent a variety of health care professional and community perspectives, including those with experience as enrollees in the state medical assistance program or Medicare and those with experience having no health insurance coverage.

Members serve four-year terms and are eligible for reappointment. Members may receive per diem. The board selects its chair and vice chair.

#### Duties<sup>4</sup>

The board is established in the Department of Consumer and Business Services. The board must:

- appoint an executive director and fix their compensation;
- create a comprehensive plan to finance and administer a Universal Health Plan
  (Plan) that is responsive to the needs and expectations of Oregon residents;
- provide a status report not later than December 1 of each year, beginning in 2024, to the legislative assembly, about the Plan; and
- no later than September 15, 2026, present the Plan to the Legislative Assembly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ORS 751.001 to 751.101 (2023).



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### Universal Health Plan Governance Board

Agency: Consumer & Business Services, Department of

Authorization: ORS 751.001

Min Members: 0 Max Members: 9 Term Length: 4 Term Limit: Unknown

Senate Confirmation Required?: Yes

Policy Area: Health

Board Admin: Miriam McDonell

Address:

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### **Current Appointments**

#### Dr Goldberg, Bruce W MD

Health care delivery, health care finance, health care

operations or public administration

Position Number: 1

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2028

#### Chi, Chunhuei

Health care delivery, health care finance, health care operations or public administration

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2028

Position Number: 2

#### Leahy, J. Michael "Michael"

Health care delivery, finance, operations or public

administration

Position Number: 3

Term(s):

10/1/2025 - 1/1/2029

#### Bellanca, Helen

Health care delivery, health care finance, health care

operations or public administration

Position Number: 4

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2027

### Richardson, Judy

Health care delivery, finance, operations or public

administration

Position Number: 5

Term(s):

1/2/2025 - 1/1/2029

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2025

#### Ms Ramirez, Cherryl L

**Public Engagement** 

Position Number: 6

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2028

### Glass, Michelle

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2026

**Public Engagement** 

Position Number: 7

Fellows, Amy

Term(s):

2/16/2024 - 1/1/2027

**Public Engagement** 

Position Number: 8

Ms Hennrich, Mary L

Term(s):

1/2/2026 - 1/1/2030

Public Engagement

3/1/2025 - 1/1/2026

Position Number: 9

## **Vacant Positions**