

Applications and nominations for the Maryland Board of Chiropractic Examiners are being accepted through November 15, 2017.

The Board of Chiropractors is accepting applications through November 15, 2017 for the following Board seat:

- Chiropractor

Interested candidates should carefully review all membership criteria and the time commitment noted below before applying. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that all application documents and nomination materials are submitted by November 15, 2017.

Criteria:

The criteria for members is outlined in the Board statute, Health Occupations §3-202 which is attached. Terms are for four years. The applicant must be actively licensed, be in good standing with the Board and be a resident of Maryland.

Board member duties:

- Attend month Board meetings which are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Board office in Baltimore. The meeting includes a closed and an open session. Members receive a stipend of \$150.00 per meeting plus mileage. Members receive documents in advance of the meeting for review. There are attendance requirements in order to remain a board member.
- Members serve on various Board committees including: By-Laws/Regulations/Statute Committee, Chiropractic Assistant Program Committee, Continuing Education Unit review, Discipline Committee, Rehabilitation Committee, and Cost-Savings Committee. Committees meet as needed in the Baltimore Office.
- Members participate in disciplinary hearing and case resolution conferences.
- Board members may be asked to testify before the General Assembly regarding legislation that affects consumers and/or licensees.
- Board members are subject to the State Ethics Law and are required to file an annual financial disclosure with the Maryland State Ethics Commission.

Please note that all applicants are thoroughly vetted and may be interviewed by a subject matter expert. The Governor appoints all board members with the advice of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and advice and consent of the Senate.

All interested applicants are required to submit a formal application through the *Governor's Appointments Office website at <http://govappointments.maryland.gov/> no later than November 15, 2017.*

Please be aware that one of the application documents, Appointee Exemption Disclosure (AED) form, is required by the Maryland State Ethics Commission (SEC) to document any potential conflicts of interest. On the AED form, applicants should request an employment exemption for all current employment. Applicants that are self-employed, own or co-own a business should also request a financial exemption on the AED form.

If an applicant is serving in an official capacity with Board/Association, the applicant should list their role and note their willingness to resign immediately if appointed to the Health Occupation Board. Applicants may contact the SEC at 410-260-7770 with questions or to request guidance.

The Board statute requires that applicants be nominated by the following:

- A professional association representing Chiropractors practicing in the State;

Please note that licensees do not need to be members of the Maryland Chiropractic Association in order to submit the required application documents for nomination. If you have any questions regarding the process, please call the Maryland Chiropractic Association at 410-625-1155 for more information.

The nomination is also due by the deadline for applications. Nominations may be submitted via e-mail or mail to:

Kim Bennardi, Administrator

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Any additional questions regarding applications or nominations may be addressed to Kim Bennardi at kim.bennardi@maryland.gov or 410-767-4049.

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§3-202.

- (a) (1) The Board consists of 7 members.
- (2) Of the 7 members:
- (i) 5 shall be licensed chiropractors; and
 - (ii) 2 shall be consumer members.
- (3) (i) The Governor shall appoint the chiropractor members, with the advice of the Secretary, and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from a list of qualified individuals submitted to the Governor by the Maryland Chiropractic Association.
- (ii) The number of names on the list shall be five times the number of vacancies.
- (iii) The list shall include the name of the incumbent member unless the incumbent declines renomination.
- (4) The Governor shall appoint the consumer members with the advice of the Secretary, and with the advice and consent of the Senate.
- (b) Each chiropractor member of the Board shall be:
- (1) A resident of this State;
 - (2) A licensed chiropractor of integrity and ability who is in active practice;
 - (3) A graduate of a resident course in chiropractic; and
 - (4) An individual who has practiced chiropractic in this State for at least 5 consecutive years.
- (c) Each consumer member of the Board:
- (1) Shall be a member of the general public;
 - (2) May not be or ever have been a chiropractor or in training to become a chiropractor;
 - (3) May not have a household member who is a chiropractor or in training to become a chiropractor;
 - (4) May not participate or ever have participated in a commercial or professional field related to chiropractic;
 - (5) May not have a household member who participates in a commercial or professional field related to chiropractic; and
 - (6) May not have had, within 2 years before appointment, a substantial financial interest in a person regulated by the Board.
- (d) (1) In addition to the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, each chiropractic member of the Board shall be a licensed chiropractor whose license is in good standing with the Board.
- (2) For purposes of this subsection, "good standing" means that the Board has not reprimanded the licensee, suspended or revoked the license of the chiropractor, or placed the licensee on probation within 5 years prior to or after confirmation to the Board.
- (e) While a member of the Board, a consumer member may not have a substantial financial interest in a person regulated by the Board.
- (f) Before taking office, each appointee to the Board shall take the oath required by Article I, § 9 of the Maryland Constitution.

(g) (1) The term of a member is 4 years.

(2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Board on October 1, 2016.

(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(5) The Governor shall fill any vacancy on the Board within 60 days of the date of the vacancy.

(6) A member may not serve more than 2 consecutive full terms.

(h) (1) The Governor may remove a member for incompetence or misconduct.

(2) Upon the recommendation of the Secretary, the Governor may remove a member whom the Secretary finds to have been absent from 2 successive Board meetings without adequate reason.