



STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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November 20, 2023

Re: Board of Hearing and Speech Recruitment Notice

Dear Interested Parties:

The Department of Health, Health Systems Quality Assurance, is accepting applications to fill vacancies on the Board of Hearing and Speech. We have vacancies for one advising medical physician, and one public member. We are looking for public-spirited people willing to study the issues and to make decisions in the public's best interest.

We seek diversity in board and commission members. We recognize the value variety brings in understanding and serving the people of Washington State. We seek candidates with diverse backgrounds and those who provide geographic representation throughout the state.

The Board of Hearing and Speech consists of eleven members appointed by the Governor.

Membership is as follows:

Members of the board shall be residents of this state. Three members shall represent the public and shall have an interest in the rights of consumers of health services and shall not be or have been a member of, or married to a member of, another licensing board, a licensee of a health occupation board, an employee of a health facility, nor derive his or her primary livelihood from the provision of health services at any level of responsibility. Two members shall be hearing aid specialists who are licensed under this chapter, have at least five years of experience in the practice of hearing instrument fitting and dispensing, and must be actively engaged in fitting and dispensing within two years of appointment. Two members of the board shall be audiologists licensed under this chapter who have at least five years of experience in the practice of audiology and must be actively engaged in practice within two years of appointment. Two members of the board shall be speech-language pathologists licensed under this chapter who have at least five years of experience in the practice of speech-language pathology and must be actively engaged in practice within two years of appointments. One advisory nonvoting member shall be a speech-language pathology assistant certified in Washington. One advisory nonvoting member shall be a medical physician licensed in the state of Washington.

The Board of Hearing and Speech meets about four times a year. Historically, meetings have been scheduled on a Friday in the months of February, May, July, and November. The Board of

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Hearing and Speech operates under legislative mandate to protect the health and safety of the public, and to promote the welfare of the state by regulating the competency and quality of health care providers under its jurisdiction.

If you are interested in applying for an appointment to the Board of Hearing and Speech, please [complete the application online](#).

Applications, along with a current resume must be submitted by March 31, 2024.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions about serving on the Board of Hearing and Speech, please contact me by phone at 360-236-2912 or [email](#).

Sincerely,



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