

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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Board Recruitment Notice

The Department of Health, Health Systems Quality Assurance, is accepting applications to fill one professional (licensed psychologist) opening on the Examining Board of Psychology (board) due to the voluntary resignation of an incumbent. The board is committed to healthcare equity and is actively working towards addressing healthcare disparities. Accordingly, we are looking for public-spirited professionals willing to study relevant issues and to make decisions in the public's best interest.

We welcome candidates with diverse backgrounds, affiliations, expertise, skills, experience, and demographics including geographic representation. We recognize that board diversity is essential to our effectiveness in understanding and serving the people of Washington State. Our member selection aims to reflect the diversity of the profession and strives to provide inclusive representation.

The board currently consists of eleven members, nine professional members and two public members, each appointed by the Governor. A professional member must, at the time of appointment, have actively practiced psychology in the state of Washington for at least three years immediately preceding appointment and who is currently licensed as a psychologist by the state of Washington.

Responsibilities of the professional member include:

- Attending full-day board meetings six times per year, which are typically scheduled on a
 Friday in the months of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Meetings
 take place in a hybrid meeting model. Board meetings are our best opportunity to interact
 with the public, review legislation relevant to psychology, and ensure the needs of our
 constituencies are being met. Occasional special board meetings may be scheduled as
 needed.
- Preparing for and attending one-hour panel meetings remotely every other week. The primary focus of panel meetings is to review complaints against members of the profession and decide upon the need for further action. This allows us to fulfill our 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.
- Participation in one or more of our several workgroups and subcommittees. Areas of
 focus more recently include application processes for licensure, ethics training, diversity,
 communications, recruitment, and rules/regulations.
- Completion of ad-hoc review assignments as allocated by the psychology program. Assignments consist of non-routine application reviews for psychology applicants and accommodation requests for EPPP test takers in Washington State.

• Willingness to participate in at least one yearly conference if necessary. While conference attendance is not mandatory, there are many psychology conferences that occur each year and we like to give each member the opportunity to represent our board and share highlights of the conference at future board meetings.

Members of the board receive nominal reimbursement for their time contributions towards board meetings and activities.

If you are interested in applying for an appointment to the board, please go to our website and <u>complete the application</u> online. Applications, along with a current resume, must be submitted by **July 1, 2024** to be considered.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions about serving on the board, please contact me at psychology@doh.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Nancy Delgado, Program Manager Examining Board of Psychology Health Professions and Facilities