

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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June 12, 2025

Re: Veterinary Board of Governors Vacancy

Dear Interested Parties:

The Department of Health, Health Systems Quality Assurance, is accepting applications to fill a vacancy on the Veterinary Board of Governors. We will have one vacancy for a veterinarian in January. We are looking for public-spirited people willing to study the issues and make decisions in the public's best interest to apply.

We seek diversity in board 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 Veterinary Board of Governors consists of nine members appointed by the Governor. Membership is as follows:

The board reflects the diverse practice of animal medicine, including large animal, small animal, and specialty practice, as well as diverse types of employment and practice ownership including sole proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations. The board shall consist of nine members, six of whom shall be licensed veterinarians, one of whom shall be a licensed veterinary technician, one of whom shall be a licensed veterinarian or a licensed veterinary technician, and one of whom shall be a member of the public.

At the time of their appointment the licensed members of the board must be actual residents of the state in active practice as licensed practitioners of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry, or employed as a licensed veterinary technician, as applicable. No more than two licensed veterinary members shall be from the same congressional district. The current board members are from congressional districts one, three, four, six, seven and ten.

The Veterinary Board of Governors meets about five times a year. Historically, meetings have been scheduled in the months of March, June, September, and December. An additional strategic planning meeting is usually held in conjunction with the March meeting. The 2026 meetings are scheduled for: February 27, June 5, September 11, and December 18. Members also participate in bi-weekly disciplinary conference calls on a rotating schedule. There are also ad hoc committees as needed. The Veterinary Board of Governors 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.

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If you are interested in applying for an appointment to the Veterinary Board of Governors, please complete the application online.

Applications, along with a current resume, must be submitted by July 16, 2025.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions about serving on the Veterinary Board of Governors, please contact me by phone at 564-669-0026 or email.

Sincerely,

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