



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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April 12, 2023

Re: Board of Optometry Recruitment

Dear Interested Parties:

The Department of Health, Health Systems Quality Assurance, is accepting applications to fill two vacancies on the Board of Optometry. We are looking for public-spirited people willing to study 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 Optometry consists of six members appointed by the Governor. Membership is as follows: five licensed optometrists, and one consumer. Only optometrists who are citizens of the United States, residents of this state, having been licensed to practice and practicing optometry in this state for a period of at least four years immediately preceding the effective date of appointment, and who have no connection with any school or college embracing the teaching of optometry or with any optical supply business may be appointed.

The Board of Optometry meets about four times a year. Historically, meetings have been scheduled quarterly on Mondays during business hours. The Board of Optometry 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 Optometry, please go to our website and complete the application online at:
doh.wa.gov/AboutUs/ProgramsandServices/BoardsandCommissions.aspx.

Applications, along with a current resume must be submitted by May 31, 2023.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions about serving on the Board of Optometry, please contact me at 360-236-4841 or at Kristina.bell@doh.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Kristina Bell, Program Manager

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