



# Frederick County Board of Health

## August 29, 2024

- i. **Call to Order** – Dr. Barbara Brookmyer, Health Officer for Frederick County
- ii. **Public Comment**
- iii. **Discussion of Recommended Appointments of Liaisons to the Board of Health**
- iv. **Confirmation of Recommended Appointments of Liaisons to the Board of Health**
- v. **Upcoming Meetings:** October 30, 2024
- vi. **Adjourn**



# Public Comment



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The Frederick County Board of Health welcomes and encourages public comment.



Public comment is open to members of the public who are present in the room. Individual providing public comment have up to 3 minutes and will be asked to complete comments when the buzzer sounds. A total of 15 minutes is allocated for public comment on today's agenda.



Public comment is not intended to be a question-and-answer platform with the Board members. Generally, Board members will not respond to comments made.



Members of the public wishing to share additional comments with the committee may do so by emailing [boardofhealth@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:boardofhealth@frederickcountymd.gov).



# Recommended Appointments of Liaisons to the Board of Health



# Liaison Positions - Qualifications

**Purpose:** Liaisons shall serve as a resource, provide information and data, and answer questions as needed or requested by the Board of Health.

The Board shall appoint the following 6 liaisons:

- ☐ An Epidemiologist
- ☐ A nurse
- ☐ A mental health professional
- ☐ A veterinarian
- ☐ A member from the Frederick Chamber of Commerce, and
- ☐ One (1) person with a science related background



# FY2024 Liaison Cohort

Liaison	Term Details
Epidemiologist – Dr. René F. Najera	2 more years, ends 6/30/2026
Veterinarian – Dr. Michael Schaden	2 more years, ends 6/30/2026
Chamber of Commerce member – Dr. Diana P. Castiblanco	1 more year, ends 6/30/2025
Mental Health Professional - Dr. Alison Bomba	1 more year, ends 6/30/2025
Nurse – Dr. Jennifer Cooper	Ended 6/30/2024
Science Related Background – Dr. Sheila Johnson	Ended 6/30/2024



# Liaison Recruitment Process



Application opened in May for Nurse and Member with science related background, closed in June



Health Department reviewed applications and made recommendations



Board of Health meet with recommended candidates in August



Health Officer will provide background and onboarding information for new liaisons prior to October meeting



# Liaison Positions – Appointment Terms



Liaisons shall be appointed and confirmed by a majority of the Board of Health



Liaisons shall have no voting privileges, and will not be counted in determining the presence of a quorum



Liaisons will serve without compensation.



With the exception of some of the initial appointments, the term of office of each of the members shall be for a period of three (3) years.





# Liaison Positions – Appointment Terms, cont'd



Liaisons may be reappointed but may not serve more than 2 full consecutive 3-year terms.



Vacancies shall be filled on the same basis as the original appointments for unexpired terms and shall be filled with a person of the same or similar background of the liaisons being replaced.



Liaisons shall continue in office until their successors are appointed and qualified.

# Recommended FY2025 Liaison Cohort

Liaison	Term Details
Nurse – Dr. Jennifer Cooper	3 years, ends 6/30/2027
Science Related Background – Dr. Scott Stanley	3 years, ends 6/30/2027
Epidemiologist – Dr. René F. Najera	2 more years, ends 6/30/2026
Veterinarian – Dr. Michael Schaden	2 more years, ends 6/30/2026
Chamber of Commerce member – Dr. Diana P. Castiblanco	1 more year, ends 6/30/2025
Mental Health Professional - Dr. Alison Bomba	1 more year, ends 6/30/2025



# Confirmation of Liaisons to the Board of Health



# Liaison Recruitment – Next Steps in the Process

- Packet of all applications distributed to all members
- All members review applications – closed session and narrow down to 1 applicant
- All **members** vote on applications – open session vote on single applicant per category



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