

Delano Tucker, Ed.D.; one vacancy. *Terms expire 1994.*

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The State Commission on Physical Fitness was created in 1963 (Chapter 606, Acts of 1963). The Commission works to protect and improve the physical fitness of Marylanders. It disseminates information about physical fitness, and collects and assembles information from State departments and agencies. To further its work, the Commission maintains liaison with the State Department of Education, local boards of education, private and parochial schools, and local physical fitness commissions.

The Commission consists of twenty-five members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Members serve four-year terms and are chosen for their interest or experience in physical fitness for both youth and adults. The Governor designates the chairperson. The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene appoints the executive director.

In each county and the City of Baltimore, the Governor also appoints a local physical fitness commission, composed of fifteen to twenty-five local residents. The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene designates the chairperson of each local commission (Code Health—General Article, secs. 13-401 through 13-412).

#### STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

Charles M. Dilla, P.T., *Chairperson*, 1994

*Appointed by Governor with advice of Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene (consumer members also appointed with Senate advice & consent):* Judith A. Shank, 1991; Carol A. Hamilton, 1992; Marilyn G. Booher, P.T., 1993; William D. Hodges, P.T., 1994; Jerry O. Pittman, 1995; one vacancy.

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Authorized in 1947, the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners examines and licenses physical therapists and physical therapist assistants to practice in Maryland (Chapter 606, Acts of 1947). The Board also makes rules and regulations governing the denial, suspension, and revocation of licenses.

The Board's seven members are appointed to five-year terms by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Five are licensed physical therapists; of these, at least four must be engaged primarily in the clinical practice of physical therapy. Each physical therapist

member must be engaged in the profession of physical therapy in Maryland and, immediately prior to appointment, must have at least five years experience in physical therapy administration, education, practice, or research. Physical therapist members are nominated by the American Physical Therapy Association of Maryland. Two consumer members are appointed with Senate advice and consent. The consumer member cannot have had training as a physical therapist or have a financial interest in a related field. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2002 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 13-101 through 13-502).

#### STATE BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

John S. Freid, D.P.M., *President*, 1991

*Appointed by Governor with advice of Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene (consumer member also appointed with Senate advice & consent):* Marc D. Lenet, D.P.M., 1992; Mary E. Claybaum-Rock, 1993; Michael H. Feinstein, 1993; Lawrence D. Block, D.P.M., 1994; Joseph S. Werner, D.P.M., 1995; one vacancy.

Charlotte Sullivan, *Administrator*

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The State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners was created in 1916 as the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (Chapter 173, Acts of 1916). In 1965, it became the State Board of Podiatry Examiners (Chapter 416, Acts of 1965). The Board was renamed the State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners in 1986 (Chapter 243, Acts of 1986).

The Board examines all persons who wish to practice podiatry in the State. Examinations, which may be written, oral, or practical, are given twice yearly. Applicants must have at least two years of education in a recognized college of arts and sciences and be graduates of a college of podiatric medicine recognized by the American Podiatric Medical Association. The Board biennially licenses podiatrists in active practice within the State. The Board may, after a hearing, revoke the license of any podiatrist charged with malpractice or unethical conduct.

The Board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Five are licensed podiatrists nominated by the Maryland Podiatric Medical Association. Two are consumers appointed with Senate advice and consent. Members serve five-year terms. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2002 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 15-101 through 15-602).