

iners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dealers, and Speech-Language Pathologists within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Chapter 326, Acts of 1992). In 1993, the Board received its present name (Chapter 448, Acts of 1993). The Board licenses audiologists, hearing aid dispensers, and speech-language pathologists.

The Board is composed of thirteen members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor on recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2004 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 2-101 through 2-501).

STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

Audie G. Klingler, D.C., *President*, 1997
Kitty C. Travagline, *Administrator*

4201 Patterson Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21215—2299 (410) 764-4726

The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners was established in 1920 (Chapter 666, Acts of 1920). The Board examines applicants for licenses and addresses complaints in consultation with the Investigative Unit and the Office of the Attorney General. The Board conducts two examinations per year—one in March and one in September. It ascertains whether schools of chiropractic meet the requirements of the law. Each person holding a chiropractic license in Maryland must renew it every two years with the secretary of the Board.

The Board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene and Senate advice and consent. Members serve four-year terms. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2002 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 3-201 through 3-602).

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

Guy S. Shampaine, D.D.S., *President*, 1998
Arthur Williams, *Administrator*

4201 Patterson Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21215—2299 (410) 764-4730

Established in 1884, the State Board of Dental Examiners regulates the practice of dentistry by testing the qualifications of candidates for licenses in dentistry and in dental hygiene (Chapter 150, Acts of 1884).

All applicants for license to practice dentistry must be graduates of accredited dental colleges authorized to grant degrees in dental surgery by the laws of one of the United States or a province of Canada. For a license to practice dental hygiene, all applicants must be graduates of a school for dental hygienists that requires at least two years of study and is approved by the State Board of Dental Examiners. Examinations, held twice a year, are both written and practical. Every two years, dentists and dental hygienists must renew their licenses to practice.

The Board also certifies dental radiation technologists. An individual may not practice dental radiation technology in Maryland unless certified by the Board.

The Governor appoints the Board's twelve members for four-year terms with the advice of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene. Two consumer members are appointed with the advice of the Secretary and Senate advice and consent. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2003 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 4-101 through 4-702).

STATE BOARD OF DIETETIC PRACTICE

Marilyn T. Mower, *Chair*, 1997
Aileen Taylor, *Administrator*

4201 Patterson Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21215—2299 (410) 764-4733

The State Board of Dietetic Practice was created in 1985 to protect the public by setting standards for the practice of dietetics in Maryland (Chapter 773, Acts of 1985). The Board licenses dietitians and nutritionists in Maryland. Licenses to practice dietetics must be renewed with the Board every two years.

The Board has seven members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2005 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 5-101 through 5-502).

STATE BOARD OF ELECTROLOGISTS

Mona C. Wexler, L.E., *Chair*, 1996

4201 Patterson Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21215—2299 (410) 764-4702

The State Board of Electrologists was organized in 1978 (Chapter 851, Acts of 1978). The Board adopts and revises standards of electrology practice for registered electrologists and prescribes standards for educational programs leading to licensure. The Board examines and licenses qualified applicants. The Board also conducts hearings on charges calling for discipline of a licensed electrologist by penalty, denial, revocation, or suspension of a license, and causes the prosecution of all persons in violation of the Electrology Practice Act.

The Board consists of five members who serve four-year terms. Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Governor appoints members with Senate advice and consent. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2004 (Code Health Occupations Article, secs. 6-101 through 6-702).

STATE COMMISSION ON KIDNEY DISEASE

Andrew Whelton, M.D., *Co-Chair*, 1996
James F. Burdick, M.D., *Co-Chair*, 1997
Eva Schwartz, *Executive Director*

4201 Patterson Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21215—2299 (410) 764-4799