



## MEMORANDUM

<b>DATE</b>	January 11, 2022
<b>TO</b>	Veterinary Medical Board (Board)
<b>FROM</b>	Jessica Sieferman, Executive Officer
<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>Agenda Item 8. Discussion and Possible Action on Business and Professions Code (BPC) Section 4800 Regarding Board Composition</b>

Business and Professions Code (BPC) section [4800](#) states, in part, that the Veterinary Medical Board (Board) shall consist of the following eight members:

- Four licensed veterinarians.
- One registered veterinary technician.
- Three public members.

During the July 2021 Board meeting, it was requested the Board consider adding another RVT representative on the Board. A Board member further requested this be kept at the Board level rather than delegating the discussions to the Multidisciplinary Advisory Committee.

A breakdown of all healing arts board license types, population, and member composition is attached for reference. For purposes of the breakdown, certificates/permits were not included in the population numbers. All license type and population data came from the [Department of Consumer Affairs' 2019-2020 Annual Report](#).

Any changes to the Board composition will require legislation.

### **Action Requested**

Discuss whether BPC section 4800 should be amended to add another RVT member to the Board.

<b>Healing Arts Board Compositions</b>		
<b>Board</b>	<b>License Types/Population</b>	<b>Board Composition</b>
Acupuncture	Acupuncturist: 12,247	(BPC, § <a href="#">4929</a> ) 4 public 3 licensees
Behavioral Sciences	Associate Clinical Social Worker: 16,580 Associate Marriage & Family Therapist: 15,851 Associate Professional Clinical Counselor: 4,915 Licensed Clinical Social Worker: 31,047 Licensed Educational Psychologist: 2,83 Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist: 47,918 Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor: 2,286	(BPC, § <a href="#">4990</a> ) 7 public 6 licensees: 2 licensed clinical social workers 1 licensed educational psychologist 2 licensed marriage & family therapists 1 licensed professional clinical counselor
Chiropractic Examiners	Doctor of Chiropractic: 12,771	(Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, § <a href="#">1</a> ) 2 public 5 licensees
Dental Board	Dentist: 59,543 Orthodontic Assistant: 1,467 Dental Assistant: 94,267	(BPC, § <a href="#">1603</a> ) 5 public 10 licensees: 1 dental hygienist 1 dental assistant 8 dentists
Dental Hygiene	Registered Dental Hygienist: 17,924	(BPC, § <a href="#">1903</a> ) 4 public 5 licensees: 1 general/public health dentist 4 dental hygienists
Medical Board	Licensed Midwife: 460 Physician and Surgeon: 152,402 Polysomnographic Technician: 144 Polysomnographic Technologist: 668 Polysomnographic Trainee: 57 Research Psychoanalyst: 82 Postgraduate Training Licensee: 1,925	(BPC, § <a href="#">2001</a> ) 7 public 8 licensees
Naturopathic Medicine	Naturopathic Doctor: 1,172	(BPC, § <a href="#">3621</a> ) 2 public 7 licensees: 2 physician and surgeons 5 naturopathic doctors
Occupational Therapy	Occupational Therapist: 14,682 Occupational Therapy Assistant: 3,622	(BPC, § <a href="#">2570.19</a> ) 3 public 4 licensees: 1 occupational therapy assistant 3 occupational therapists

Optometry	Optometrist: 8,517 Contact Lens Dispenser: 1,525 Dispensing Optician: 1,504 Spectacle Lens Dispenser: 4,097	(BPC, § <a href="#">3010.5</a> ) 5 public 6 licensees: 1 dispenser 5 optometrists
Osteopathic Medical Board	Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon: 11,926 Postgraduate Training License: 232	(Osteopathic Act, § 1) 4 public 5 licensees
Pharmacy	Pharmacist: 47,926 Pharmacy Technician: 69,233	(BPC, § <a href="#">4001</a> ) 6 public 7 pharmacists: 1 acute care hospital pharmacist 1 independent community pharmacist 1 chain community pharmacist 1 compounding pharmacist 1 long-term health care pharmacist 1 labor union pharmacist 1 pharmacist
Physical Therapy	Physical Therapist: 32,751 Physical Therapist Assistant: 9,182	(BPC, § <a href="#">2603</a> ) 3 public 4 physical therapists
Physician Assistant	Physician Assistant: 13,927	(BPC, § <a href="#">3505</a> ) 4 public 5 licensees: 1 physician assistant (MBC member) 4 physician assistants
Podiatric Medical	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine: 2,276	(BPC, § <a href="#">2462</a> ) 3 public 4 licensees
Psychology	Psychological Assistant: 1,326 Psychologist: 21,998	(BPC, § <a href="#">2922</a> ) 4 public 5 licensees
Board of Registered Nursing	Registered Nurse: 458,165	(BPC, § <a href="#">2702</a> ) 4 public 5 licensees: 2 nurses – direct patient care 1 nurse – advanced practice 1 nurse – educator/administrator 1 nurse – administrator nursing service
Respiratory Care Board	Respiratory Care Practitioner: 23,598	(BPC, § <a href="#">3711</a> ) 4 public 5 licensees: 1 physician and surgeon 4 respiratory care practitioners

<p>Speech- Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers</p>	<p>Aides: 273 Audiologist: 873 Dispensing Audiologist: 1,401 Hearing Aid Dispenser: 1,449 Hearing Aid Dispenser Trainee: 237 Speech-Language Pathologist: 22,527 Speech-Language Pathology Assistant: 5,297</p>	<p>(BPC, § <a href="#">2531</a>) 3 public 6 licensees</p>
<p>Veterinary Medical Board</p>	<p>Registered Veterinary Technician: 9,629 Veterinarian: 15,066 University Veterinarian: 131</p>	<p>(BPC, § <a href="#">4800</a>) 3 public 5 licensees: 1 registered veterinary technician 4 veterinarians</p>
<p>Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians</p>	<p>Psychiatric Technician: 11,349 Vocational Nurse: 128,060</p>	<p>(BPC, § <a href="#">2842</a>) 6 public 2 vocational nurses 2 psychiatric technicians 1 vocational nurse – teacher/administrator</p>