

2020 Standing Advisory Committee Applications

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Background

MD Code, Insurance, § 31-106(g)(2)

[T]he Board, on or before March 15, 2014, shall create a standing advisory committee that consists of members who, to the extent practicable:

1. reflect the gender, racial, ethnic, and geographic diversity of the State;
2. constitute a diverse cross-section of stakeholders broadly representative of the individuals and entities described in paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection; and
3. are appointed by the Board for a term of no more than 3 years in a manner that provides continuity and rotation;

New Applicants

- In 2019, 10 of the 22 existing Standing Advisory Committee (SAC) members reached the end of their term, including the 2 members from the Eastern Shore, Mr. Helfenbein and Mr. Keen.
- At the February 20, 2020 Board meeting, the Board appointed 6 new applicants. However, at that time we did not have any new applicants from the Eastern Shore.
- The Board suggested that we ask Mr. Helfenbein and Mr. Keen if they would serve an additional year. Dr. Allen also offered to see if he could find a new representative from the Eastern Shore.
- Mr. Helfenbein and Mr. Keen agreed to serve an additional year, and we received a new application from Dr. Bryan Gere.

First Name	Last Name	County	Region	Employer / Affiliation	Speciality
Alvin	Helfenbein	Queen Anne's	Upper Eastern Shore	Helfenbein Insurance Agency	Producer
Christopher	Keen	Worcester	Lower Eastern Shore	Keene Insurance Associates, LLC	Producer
Bryan	Gere	Somerset	Lower Eastern Shore	University of Maryland Eastern Shore	Professor

Board Action Required

MHBE requests that the Board appoint the following individuals to the Standing Advisory Committee:

1. Alvin Helfenbein
2. Christopher Keen
3. Dr. Bryan Gere