



TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents

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SUBJECT: Appointment to the Position of Executive Secretary, State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology

DATE: September 9, 2022

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Suzanne Sullivan to the position of Executive Secretary to the State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology?

Reason for Consideration

The New York State Education Department oversees the licensing and practice of approximately 13,564 Clinical Laboratory Technologists, 1,891 Clinical Laboratory Technicians, 570 Cytotechnologists, and 352 Certified Histological Technicians. The primary oversight of those functions falls under the direction of the Executive Secretary to State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology, a position that is required by statute.

Ms. Sullivan, a Registered Professional Nurse, currently serves as the Executive Secretary to the State Board for Nursing, an appointment she has held since April of 2012. Ms. Sullivan is also a practicing attorney and brings many years of experience in health law, and experience with the New York State Department of Health's Division of Legal Affairs, which includes experience in the regulation of clinical laboratories. Ms. Sullivan has served as the acting Executive Secretary to the State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology since May of this year and has experience serving in acting and interim roles with several other State boards. In summary, Ms. Sullivan's extensive experience with State boards combined with her managerial and legal background will enable her to effectively serve in the role of Executive Secretary to the State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology while also continuing her role as the Executive Secretary to the State Board for Nursing.

Proposed Handling

This appointment will come before the full Board of Regents for final action at its September 2022 meeting.

Procedural History

Education Law sections 6508(7) and 8604 require the Board of Regents to appoint an Executive Secretary to the State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology, each state board upon the recommendation of the Commissioner. The State professional boards advise and assist the Regents and the Department on matters of professional licensing and professional practice.

Background Information

Not applicable.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Suzanne Sullivan to the position of Executive Secretary to the State Board for Clinical Laboratory Technology.

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Suzanne Sullivan to the position of Executive Secretary to the State Boards Clinical Laboratory Technology.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Board of Regents approves the recommendation, the appointment will be effective September 15, 2022.