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Honorable Governor Shumlin
Office of the Governor
109 State Street
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Dear Governor Shumlin:

I am submitting information for your consideration to approve the DVHA Commissioner's appointment of Zail Berry, MD, on the DUR Board. Her term will begin on October 15, 2015 and end on June 15, 2017, with a two year possible extension. We currently have three open seats.

Dr. Berry completed her B.A. at the University of California; Revelle College in San Diego, CA in Biochemistry and Cell Biology, her M.P.H at George Washington University Medical Center in Washington, DC and her M.D. at the University of California School of Medicine in San Francisco, CA. She holds board certifications in Internal Medicine, Internal Medicine Added Qualification in Geriatric Medicine and Hospice and Palliative Medicine. Dr. Berry is currently an attending physician in Primary Care Internal Medicine at the University of Vermont Medical Center, associate professor at the Department of Medicine, University of Vermont Medical Center and Medical Director at Birchwood Terrace Health Care in Burlington, VT.

The statute for this Board authorizes the appointment of members by the DVHA Commissioner with the Governor's approval, and requires the following:

at least one-third, but not more than half, of the Board's membership shall be licensed and actively practicing physicians appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Vermont Health Access with the approval of the Governor; and

at least one-third of the membership shall be licensed and actively practicing pharmacist appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Vermont Health Access with the approval of the Governor; and

may include other members as proposed by the Commissioner and approved by the Governor

Current members of the board are as follows:

1. James Marmar, R.Ph., Pharmacist
2. Janet Farina, R.Ph., Pharmacist
3. Michael Biddle, Pharm. D., Pharmacist



Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Costantino
Commissioner

Enclosure

cc: Hal Cohen, Secretary, Agency of Human Services

Approved:



Governor Peter Shumlin

10/20/15

Date: