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## Board and Commission Application

### Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

#### Public Statement

*THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.*

Title Mrs.

First Name Madison

Last Name Emry

Today's Date 1/3/2023

Street Address

City

Zip

Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? Yes

Do you have a different mailing address? *Field not completed.*

Primary Telephone

Secondary Telephone *Field not completed.*

Email Address

### Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee Public Health Advisory Board

Public Health Advisory Board	I have expertise, career experience, or lived experience in one of the areas listed above., I am a consumer of public health services.
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 3
4. Are you a US citizen?	Yes
5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?	No
8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	Attached

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

I recently graduated from WWU with a B.S. in Public Health and a minor in Leadership Studies. Over the summer I worked with the Director of Community Health at PeaceHealth where I was able to work closely with local organizations like the Birchwood Neighborhood Association and North Sound Accountable Communities of Health, and I was able to assist in projects for the Community Collaboration Committee. As of this month, I am starting a position with Northwest Youth Services at the Ground Floor to work directly with homeless and at-risk youth that reside in Whatcom County. I have also been a medical massage therapist since 2014, specializing in pain management.

10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission

I was an at-risk youth, and I am familiar with the obstacles that can stand in the way of accessing mental and physical health services when individuals are facing a lack of stable housing, a lack of familial support, or other challenges as a result of a crisis or stress they may be facing. I went back to school to pursue an education in community health because I believe we should all have access to health, and that requires that we bolster support for members of our community that face obstacles that prevent access to healthcare services or that come from historically marginalized communities.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Dr. Rachel Lucy - PeaceHealth - 360-788-6819  
Dr. Karen Stout - WWU - 360-650-2563  
Dr. Mary Hunt - WWU - 360-650-4114

Signature of applicant: Madison Emry

Place Signed / Submitted Bellingham, WA

(Section Break)

# Madison Emry

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## Education

**B.S. Public Health**

**August 2022**

**Minor in Leadership Studies**

Western Washington University | Bellingham, WA

- Relevant coursework: community health, theory of health behaviors, health education and promotion, social marketing, program planning and implementation, epidemiology, grant writing, technical writing, etc.
- Received Outstanding Graduate Award and Latin Honors

## Work Experience

**Public Health Intern for Director of Community Health**

**Summer 2022**

PeaceHealth | Bellingham, WA

- Plan community outreach events and coordinate volunteers for the health promotion booth
- Develop draft of Community Health Improvement Plan based on data from Community Needs Assessment and stakeholder feedback
- Create needs assessment for LGBTQ+ youth in Whatcom County
- Organize and analyze qualitative data from interviews on healthcare access

**Massage Therapist**

**2021-present**

Self-Employed | Bellingham, WA

- Manage finances, schedule, paperwork, marketing, and networking to maintain private practice
- Communicate efficiently with clients during session and when scheduling to maintain rapport
- Educate patients about wellness and pain management

**Massage Therapist**

**2018-2021**

MassageWorks | Bellingham, WA

- Provide adequate medical charts as well as reports of patient progress for physicians on treatment team
- Efficiently communicate patient needs with other providers to ensure consistency of patient care

## Volunteer Experience

**North Sound Racial Health Equity Alliance**

**Summer 2022-present**

North Sound Accountable Communities of Health | Bellingham, WA

- Assist in planning of annual health equity conference
- On marketing subcommittee: write quarterly newsletters, create registration forms, design website for silent auction