

Monroe County Board of Health

Membership

The Board of Health is comprised of 11 members:

- one of whom shall be a physician licensed to practice in the State of New York,
- one of whom shall be a nurse licensed to practice in the State of New York,
- one of whom shall be a member of the County Legislature,
- one of whom shall be a member of the Council of the City of Rochester recommended by the President of the Council
- and one of whom shall be a representative of the City of Rochester recommended by the Mayor of the City of Rochester.
- Additional 6 at-large members

The members of the Board of Health shall be residents of the County of Monroe. The members of the Board of Health shall be appointed by the County Executive with the approval of the County Legislature. Each member shall serve a four-year term, and not to exceed two consecutive terms.

Board members are expected to attend Board meetings in person at least once a month, currently held on the first Monday of each month from 3:30 – 5:00.

Function

According to the county Bylaws, Article II. Purposes

This board shall administer the relevant provisions of **Article VI, Section C6-12** of the Monroe County Charter, as amended, relating to the formulation, promulgation and adoption of a county sanitary code (as defined in Section 347 of Public Health Law). Additionally, this Board shall advise the Commissioner on any and all matter relating to the promotion of the security of life associated with health within said county.

Article III. Powers and Duties

- the formulation, promulgation, adoption and publication of rules, regulations, orders and directives for the security of life associated with health in the District
 - exercise all the powers and perform all the duties expressly or implicitly requisite for the lawful performance and achievement thereof.
- serve as an administrative tribunal with the establishment of hearings relating to environmental health violations for which imposition of fines or other legal remedies may be considered.
- advise the Commissioner on matters relating to public health policy and health and medical concerns of the County of Monroe.
- advise the Commissioner in the various program areas in matters relating to priority setting, programming, and reporting, and direct special inquiry to program functions when needed in response to the Board's oversight function to maintain the quality and integrity of public health programming.