

Application Form

Profile

Jonathan

First Name

Weizenbaum

Middle Initial

Last Name

Jon

Preferred Name

[REDACTED]

Email Address

3503 Crowncrest Dr

Home Address

Suite or Apt

Austin

City

TX

State

78759

Postal Code

Residency and District Information

Are you a City of Austin Resident? *

☒ Yes

Are you, or your employer, a registered lobbyist with the City or have you, or your employer, been registered as a lobbyist with the City Clerk within the past three years?

No

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

Home:

Alternate Phone

[REDACTED]

Cell Phone

Home Phone

Business Phone

Select Your District

☒ District 10

self-employed

Employer

Job Title

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve on a board or commission

Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?

The mission of Central Health is “to create access to healthcare for those who need it most.” I came to Austin 33 years ago with the goal of becoming a social worker and, like Central Health, serving those in my community most in need of health and social services. Over that time I worked in a wide variety of social service positions, including child protective services, foster care, and HIV/AIDS. I later shifted to a public policy career that included positions at the Texas Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS). I served in executive management roles at DADS for 13 years, including the last five as commissioner, leading the agency’s 17,000 employees and administering its \$6.8 billion annual budget. I retired from state government in 2017 and currently run a small consulting practice serving local non-profit organizations. I also serve on a number of boards and councils, including the AARP Texas executive council and national policy advisory council. As a social worker I have seen directly the importance of healthcare access for low-income Austinites. For instance, as a case manager at AIDS Services of Austin, I helped clients receive services at the David Powell Clinic and worked closely with the dedicated staff of that program. My clients depended on the Medical Assistance Program to cover services when no other program would serve them. Today, as a volunteer and board member at the Casa Marianella refugee shelter, I see CommUnityCare clinics providing vital healthcare support to individuals and families seeking asylum in our community. I believe my combination of social work and government agency leadership experience would enable me to make a significant contribution to the work of the Central Health Board of Managers. I would be honored to have the opportunity to serve on that body.

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Resume

JON WEIZENBAUM 3503 Crowncrest Dr. Austin, Texas 78759 [REDACTED] - cell

[REDACTED] PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE JON WEIZENBAUM CONSULTING Austin, Texas Principal 2018 - present • Provide research and strategic planning in the areas of healthcare and long-term services and supports policy and operations TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES Austin, Texas Commissioner 2012 – 2017 • Provided vision, leadership and strategic direction to 17,000-employee state agency providing and regulating long-term services and supports to older Texans and persons with disabilities • Directed administration of agency's \$6.8 billion annual budget • Represented the agency in public testimony and presentations with external stakeholders, including the Texas Legislature, Governor's office, providers and advocate organizations Deputy Commissioner 2006 – 2012 • Managed policy, government relations, public information, program coordination and stakeholder relations functions • Directed agency implementation of state-federal initiatives to expand community services, including Money Follows the Person, Balancing Incentive Program and Community First Choice • Represented agency as member of interagency Mental Health Transformation Grant task force, 2005-2010 • Represented agency Commissioner at Texas Legislature and other settings as needed, including serving as interim Commissioner in fall 2009 Director, Center for Policy and Innovation 2004 – 2006 • Directed policy analysis, rule development, strategic planning, research and quality improvement activities TEXAS COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE Austin, Texas Director, Communications/Government Relations 2002 – 2004 • Managed external relations for state substance abuse prevention and treatment agency, including communications, government relations, media and public information activities TEXAS SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Austin, Texas Policy Director/Legislative Aide 1998 - 2002 • Managed all activities of committee staff, including development of legislation, related research, and supervision of committee hearings • Prepared detailed legislative proposals, briefings, talking points and speeches for committee chair on wide range of state health and human service issues TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION Program Specialist Intern 1998 • Helped develop NorthSTAR behavioral health managed care pilot for Dallas-area Medicaid and indigent clients AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN Austin, Texas Case Manager 1996 – 1997 • Secured medical and financial resources and provided counseling and crisis intervention services for individuals with HIV/AIDS THE CASEY FAMILY PROGRAM Austin, Texas Clinical Social Worker 1989 – 1995 • Provided services to youth and families in long-term foster care TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES Austin, Texas Children's Protective Services Specialist II 1988 • Investigated allegations of child abuse and neglect and provided emergency placement as needed to protect children UT-AUSTIN SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK Austin, Texas Social Science Research Associate 1986 - 1987 • Coordinated data collection and supervised team of research assistants for state-wide program evaluation of welfare employment services VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER Nashville, Tennessee Co-director, Appalachian Student Health Coalition 1983 - 1985 • Managed program of health fairs and student internships providing technical assistance to health clinics in eastern Kentucky and Tennessee EDUCATION LBJ SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Master of Public Affairs 2001 SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Master of Science in Social Work 1987 BROWN UNIVERSITY, Providence, Rhode Island Bachelor of Arts with Honors, Health and Society concentration 1983 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AARP-Texas Executive Council and AARP-national policy committee, 2018 - present Casa Marianella Board of Directors and volunteer, 2018 – present United Way for Greater Austin Mission Advancement Committee, 2017 – present Meals on Wheels Central Texas volunteer, 2002 – present University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work Advisory Council, 1993 - 2018

Qualifications

- 33-year career in social work and public sector leadership, including Texas state agency CEO - Master of Public Affairs, LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin - Master of Science in Social Work, UT School of Social Work - Bachelor of Arts, Brown University - extensive community involvement

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Ethnicity

☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender

☒ Male

Sexual Orientation

☒ Straight/Heterosexual

05/17/1961
Date of Birth

Disability or Impairment Information

Do you have an auditory/hearing disability or impairment?

☒ No

Do you have a visual disability or impairment?

☒ No

Do you have a mobility disability or impairment?

☒ No

Do you have a cognitive disability or impairment?

☒ No

Do you have another disability or impairment you'd like to share?

N/A

Board Requirements

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Central Health Board of Managers: Submitted

Some boards have additional requirements for appointees. Additional requirements will appear below as they apply to each board.

Please select the requirements you have met (Central Health Board of Managers): *

- ☒ City Council & Travis County
- ☒ Commitment to Mission and Values of Central Health
(http://centralhealth.net/vision_mission_values.html)
- ☒ Demonstrated experience in community engagement/involvement, particularly in the area of persons accessing health services.
- ☒ Demonstrated knowledge and experience in health care finance and accounting, financial conflicts of interest in environment ensuring financial transparency
- ☒ Demonstrated leadership experience requiring strategic planning, execution, and maintenance of successful business operations
- ☒ Experience serving on boards of directors or in senior management positions
- ☒ Knowledge of Central Health Partners and how services are delivered by them in collaborations with Central Health
- ☒ Knowledge of the issues and components related to the 'safety net' health system and the delivery of services to vulnerable populations
- ☒ Mature and seasoned community leader and advocate, with knowledge of community, social, and health/medical services, private business, government, or law
- ☒ Travis County
- ☒ Understanding of multiple cultures and ethnicities with experience in removing barriers to health care services access for these individuals