

Metrics and Scoring Committee Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee Joint 2021 Call for Applications

Due: November 15, 2021

Submit to: metrics.questions@dhsoha.state.or.us

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is now accepting applications for the [Metrics and Scoring Committee](#)¹ (MSC) and the [Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee](#)² (HPQMC).

Deadline: The application process is open from October 18, 2021 through November 15, 2021. Applications for those not appointed at this time will be saved and considered for future vacancies.

To apply: Please review these application instructions and submit both Part 1 and Part 2 of the application along with your resume and/or bio sketch to metrics.questions@dhsoha.state.or.us by November 15, 2021.

Who we're looking for:

- We are looking for motivated members with a passion for eradicating inequities and improving health care for people in Oregon, particularly those subjected to historical and contemporary injustices. People with lived experience of health inequities and members of the Oregon Health Plan are especially encouraged to apply.
- OHA's strategic goal is to eradicate health inequities by 2030 and we need members on our metrics committees who can help us best use our quality metrics programs to achieve that aim.
- Expertise in health quality measurement is not a requirement for most positions, and OHA staff will provide orientation for new members. Committee members do need to be willing to dig into details of measurement to ensure the measures included in the programs advance our equity goal.
- While there are several current vacancies on each committee, we are seeking applications for all positions to create a robust applicant pool for additional vacancies occurring over the next year.

What is MSC?

The Metrics and Scoring Committee was established by the legislature in 2012 to recommend health care outcome and quality measures for the Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) [Quality Incentive Program](#). CCOs can earn millions of dollars in bonus funds based on how they perform on the measures selected for the program, and [independent evaluation](#) has shown that CCOs focus quality improvement efforts on the

¹ <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/ANALYTICS/Pages/Metrics-Scoring-Committee.aspx>

² <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/ANALYTICS/Pages/Quality-Metrics-Committee.aspx>

measures included in the program. MSC's work is therefore extremely important in focusing CCO efforts on areas of greatest importance to members of the Oregon Health Plan. Under the legislation establishing the committee, membership must include:

- Three members at-large;
- Three individuals with expertise in health outcomes measures; and
- Three representatives of coordinated care organizations.

What is HPQMC?

The Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee is responsible for developing an [aligned set](#) of health care outcome and quality measures that are used by state-funded health plans including CCOs, the Public Employees Benefit Board (PEBB), and the Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB). The purpose is to ensure that the measures and requirements are coordinated, evidence-based and focused on a long-term statewide vision. Under the legislation establishing the committee, membership must include:

- One individual representing the Oregon Health Authority
- One individual representing the Oregon Educators Benefit Board
- One individual representing the Public Employees' Benefit Board
- One individual representing the Department of Consumer and Business Services
- One individual representing hospitals
- One individual representing insurers, large employers or multiple employer arrangements
- One individual with expertise in health care research
- One individual with expertise in health care quality measures
- One individual with expertise in mental health and addiction services
- Two health care providers
- Two individuals representing health care consumers
- Two individuals representing coordinated care organizations

In 2023 the new Health *Equity* Quality Metrics Committee is expected to replace the current Health *Plan* Quality Metrics Committee. The new committee will be composed of those with lived experience, Oregon Health Plan members, members of diverse communities, and health equity professionals and researchers. Those appointed to the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee through the current application process will do the important work of ensuring a successful transition to this new structure.

Details of service:

The Metrics and Scoring Committee meets for three hours on the third Friday of each month from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Members serve initial two-year terms and may be re-appointed at the discretion of the Director of OHA for additional one-year terms, for a total of four years. Crucial decisions are made during the summer and autumn months, so we ask members to be particularly committed to attending these meetings.

We anticipate that the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee will meet on a quarterly basis in 2022. Meetings are for two hours on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. HPQMC members are appointed by the [Oregon Health Policy Board](#) and will serve until the new Health *Equity* Quality Measurement Committee is

established.

Meetings for both Committees are currently held virtually. When in-person attendance resumes, members may still participate virtually as needed.

Application timeline:

- Applications may be submitted from October 18, 2021 through November 15, 2021.
- OHA will review applications and schedule interviews with candidates during the week of December 6th, 2021.
- Candidates selected for Committee membership will begin serving in February 2022.

Everyone has a right to know about and use Oregon Health Authority (OHA) programs and services. OHA provides free help. Some examples of the free help OHA can provide are:

- Sign language and spoken language interpreters
- Written materials in other languages
- Braille
- Large print
- Audio and other formats

If you need help or have questions, please contact Sara Kleinschmit at 971.304.9229, 711TTY, sara.kleinschmit@dhsosha.state.or.us at least 48 hours before the meeting.