

Community Review Board

Transaction #039 OHSU-Legacy Health

The Health Care Market Oversight (HCMO) program at Oregon Health Authority (OHA) reviews proposed health care business deals to make sure they support Oregon's goals of health equity, lower costs, increased access, and better care.

OHA is convening a community review board for the proposed transaction involving Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) and Legacy Health. Community review boards are temporary groups that represent a variety of perspectives to provide a recommendation to OHA about a particular health care business deal.

The community review board has two key roles:

1. Help OHA understand how the proposed transaction could affect people and communities in Oregon.
2. Make a recommendation about whether OHA should approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the proposed transaction.

While the community review board does not have decision-making authority, the board will make a recommendation about whether OHA should approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove proposed transactions.

Guidelines on Appointment

State law requires that a community review board include members of the affected community, consumer advocates and health care experts, with no more than one-third of members representing institutional health care providers. By law, OHA may not appoint any individual who is employed by an entity that is a party to the transaction or is employed by a competitor that is of a similar size. OHA received more than 50 applications and selected 9 members based on these guidelines to serve on the community review board.

Community Review Board Members

Each of the community review board members brings different experiences and backgrounds to the community review board. Included below is the roster for the board and why each applicant was interested in serving.

Christina Davis (Withdrew from CRB)

Howard Cohen - *“I am interested in helping ensure that this merger impacts care for children and women positively across these two health care systems and more broadly related to other providers in metropolitan Portland and Oregon and more broadly since these are both community and regional provider organizations.”*

Jerome Dalnes – *“I believe another set of eyes and experiences would be beneficial to this review board.”*

Joanna Mott - *“I bring experience both as a patient and as a former leader in an academic institution in Oregon that includes several allied health programs such as diagnostic medical sonography, respiratory care, medical laboratory science.”*

Joseph Schnabel – *“I feel that I have expertise in healthcare delivery and systems and have always valued the best interest of the public above all.”*

Latorria Haskin - *“To join in the processes of healthcare outcomes for our diverse community members.”*

Leslie Foren - *“I am interested in joining the community review board because I bring 25+years of experience working with older adults, people with disabilities, individuals with serious illness and caregivers.”*

Teresa Goodell - *“I’m concerned about the effects of consolidating health care services in our community, and in our country.”*

Wendi Martin - *“The consolidation of health care systems has had a significant impact on me personally as well as the employees I support.”*

Next steps:

The first meeting of the CRB will be on February 10 from 12pm-2pm. The materials and virtual Zoom link will be posted on the [OHSU-Legacy transaction webpage](#).

Community review board meetings are public. All meeting information, recordings, and materials will be posted to the [HCMO website](#). Members of the public can sign-up for public meeting notices at this [link](#).

For any media inquiries about the community review board, contact Amy Bacher, Public Information Officer at amy.bacher2@oha.oregon.gov or 503-405-5403.
