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Summary
The Committee Digest (Digest) serves as a progress update for the 11 Committees of the Oregon Health Policy Board (OHPB). The Digest summarizes key work accomplished by Committees and highlight decisions and activities planned for the upcoming year. Committee information included in the Digest is provided by lead committee staff and will be distributed to OHPB members following each quarter.

For additional information or questions, please contact Tara Chetock, OHPB Project Manager
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Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

The Behavioral Health Committee (BHC) is currently not meeting due to limited attendance and inability to reach quorum. The primary focus has been on recruitment and outreach efforts.

The recruitment efforts started in November 2022 by posting the OHPB Committee Membership Recruitment Survey on the BHC webpage and sharing with internal and external staff & partners. A member recruitment flyer was created, shared, and distributed which included general information about the BHC. There were informational sessions provided to answer questions regarding membership, goals, time commitment, and financial compensation. The member recruitment flyer, informational sessions and presentation materials are available in English and Spanish.

All applicants were invited to a virtual interview gathering as an opportunity to meet OHA staff supporting BHC work and to learn more about their interest in joining the committee. A variety of interview dates and times were identified so applicants had the opportunity to select a day and time that worked best for them. BHC staff is in process of reviewing panel recommendations and representations identified to fill current vacancies.

Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:

The BHC is focusing on a few key areas related to Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) which all relate to addressing the needs of individuals who are slipping through the cracks of the current SDoH screening and referrals process employed by providers.

- Reaching individuals who have had recent contact with the justice system/state hospital
- Following up with individuals who miss physical or behavioral health appointments
- Outreach to those not being served by CCOs for screenings
- Follow up with individuals referred to health related social needs services regarding successful connection

The Committee has a SDOH Metric Concept it is discussing further regarding increased support for individuals with high social risk-factors in receiving social needs services. Specific details must be discussed and agreed upon to move forward with this concept.
Related to OHPB Priorities:

Metric:

The BHC is charged with establishing:

- Quality metrics for behavioral health services provided by Coordinated Care Organizations (CCO), health care providers, counties, and other government entities; and
- Incentives to improve the quality of behavioral health services

Behavioral Health:

The quality metrics and incentives determined by the BHC will address and expand on the following areas of priority:

- Improve timely access to behavioral health care,
- Reduce hospitalizations,
- Reduce overdoses,
- Improve the integration of physical and behavioral health care, and
- Ensure individuals are supported in the least restrictive environment that meets their behavioral health needs.

CCO Procurement:

The quality metrics and incentives determined by the BHC will have an impact on CCO procurement in addition to other contracts.

Upcoming Recruitment Needs:

To fill the following vacant representations:

- CCO BH Director
- Community Mental Health Program (CMHP) representative
- Representative with expertise in data analysis
- Consumer representative
- Tribal government representative
- Representative of an organization that advocates on behalf of the Intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) community

Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:

- To be determined

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Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

- Three new members were appointed to the Cost Growth Target (CGT) Advisory Committee in November 2023: Jeremy Davis, President and CEO, Grand Ronde Hospital; Kate Denison, Deputy Legislative Director, Oregon Attorney General’s Office; and Charlie Fisher, State Director, OSPIRG.
- Kate Denison stepped down in January 2024 after transitioning professional roles; a recruitment is currently open to appoint a new member to her seat in March 2024.
- In 2024, the CGT Advisory Committee meeting schedule is now monthly, 1.5 hour meetings instead of bi-monthly, 3-hour meetings seen previously; as well as hosting monthly educational webinars on relevant topics, beginning February 2024.

Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions Related to OHPB Priorities:

Affordability:

CGT Advisory Committee will be developing recommended strategies to lower health care cost growth throughout the year and submitting those strategies to the OHPB in their December 2024 meeting. CGT Advisory Committee topics are universally related to supporting affordability in health care. Committee meetings will focus on understanding current information related to the Cost Growth Target Program and host discussions that will inform the recommended strategies submitted to OHPB. See the current list of 2024 planned topics [here](#).

Upcoming Recruitment Needs:

Current member terms are set to expire in May 2024; we are currently working to identify members interested in renewing their term and will begin recruitment in March/April 2024.

Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:

All meetings are held 9 – 10:30 a.m., on the fourth Tuesday of the month (except for November and December). Find more information on the CGT calendar, including information on the 2024 educational webinar schedule, on the Committee website.
Health Care Workforce Committee (HCWF)

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**Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:**

There have been no changes to strategic priorities since 2023. Major accomplishments of the previous quarter include:

- Review and Recommendation of distribution of moneys in the Health Care Provider Incentive Fund for 2023-25 (Approved by OHPB December 2023)
- Adoption of three Strategy Papers on:
  - Workforce wellness
  - Workforce diversity
  - Workforce development and retention

**Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:**

Major work and decisions anticipated in 2024:

- Election of new Chair/Vice-Chair (March 2024)
- Adoption of new Charter for 2024-25
- Adoption of Committee Workplan
- Work (to be specified) around committee priorities:
  - Workforce wellness
  - Workforce diversity
  - Workforce development and retention
- Plans to hold monthly committee educational webinars
  - On topics related to priorities
  - To provide needed advance presentation on upcoming work requiring vote
- Review of 2024 Diversity of Oregon’s Health Care Workforce Report
- Review and approval of 2025 Evaluation of Health Care Provider Incentives
- Review and approval of 2025 Health Care Workforce Needs Assessment
Related to OHPB Priorities:

Work around health care professional wellness should have a positive effect around affordability, and potentially CCO procurement, as well as the area of Behavioral Health. Review of the 2024 Health Care Workforce Needs Assessment touches on all the areas. Not all the committee’s work may directly impact every one of the Board’s priorities—the committee is looking first, to be true to its adopted strategic framework for its focus—but the leadership sees nearly all of its discussions and projects have connections and supports for most of the board’s priorities.

Upcoming recruitment needs:

We do not anticipate recruitment needs until fall/winter 2024 (following February request to OHPB).

Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:

- January 10
- March 6
- May 8
- July 10
- September 11
- November 6
## Health Equity Committee (HEC)

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### Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

HEC had its annual hybrid retreat in November, where it focused on relationship-building amongst HEC members and Equity & Inclusion (E&I) staff, mapping of the OHPB and OHA environment, and translating the strategic priorities outlined in the Strategic Priorities 4-pager document into a 2024 workplan. The retreat also included a presentation by representatives of Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) on their Community Needs Assessment. The committee also approved its two letters to OHPB and OHA: one representing community-driven policy recommendations for Gender Affirming Care and one in support of the Ombuds program, requesting action on Ombuds report findings and overall connection of the program to health equity.

HEC finished its 2024 recruitment round and had its new slate with 5 new members approved by the Board; new members were welcomed as guests at the December 2024 HEC meeting. The HEC is planning to open recruitment in Spring 2024 to augment important areas of representation, including adding more OHP members to the one OHP member currently on HEC.

### Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:

HEC will be implementing its 2024 workplan throughout 2024. In Q1 2024, HEC co-chairs and staff would like to focus on aligning HEC strategic goals and workplan with OHPB’s developing strategic plan, and work to align both with OHA’s strategic plan and the Governor’s strategic priorities. This will require a close relationship with OHPB, with strategies and activities that may include:

- A strong liaison relationship between HEC and OHPB
- Ongoing coordination meetings between OHPB and HEC co-chairs
- A meeting series that will bring together interested HEC and OHPB members with HPA and E&I staff to review HEC’s plans to operationalize health equity.
- Establishing OHPB members to serve as “equity champions” on the board that will support HEC’s plan.
In our annual one-on-one meetings with HEC members, members have made suggestions around providing more opportunities for connection and shared education. E&I staff support will develop a plan for consistent education opportunities based on webinars available through other OHPB subcommittees, and for HEC to host several of our own. We hope this result in more relationship-building time for members outside of formal public meetings, and for HEC members to cross-pollinate with other OHPB subcommittees.

Other 2024 HEC work, decisions, and actions are detailed in the HEC strategic plan (see below). Several of these goals include presentations to OHPB for approval. Established relationships across committee staff, co-chairs, and liaisons, as well as strengthened alignment with internal OHA divisions and director’s office, will help ensure there is alignment throughout the development and approval processes.

**Related to OHPB Priorities:**

Most if not all HEC strategic priorities relate to OHPB’s “advance health equity” priority. OHPB may find the following HEC 2024 strategic goals of particular interest:

1. Work with E&I division to develop, adopt, and implement an anti-racism approach and practices within OHA
2. Compile and/or create an equity toolkit for widespread use at OHA composed of existing or newly developed tools
3. Advocate for and support the adoption of a community engagement approach across OHA
4. Develop and pilot a specific process with clear expectations for HEC to provide policy consultation to OHA
5. Collaborate with other OHPB Committees to embed equity in their work
6. Clarify and document relationships between OHPB, OHPB committees, and OHA related to communication flows, decision-making, and accountability
7. Bring community-driven health equity policy recommendations to the attention of OHPB and OHA.
8. Integrate Tribal perspective on Health Equity into strategic planning and goals.

**Affordability:**

HEC members may be interested in joining educational webinars from the Cost Growth Target Committee, especially those that directly pertain to equity practices in health care costs.

**Metrics:**

HEC does not have its own metrics-related goals but is collaborating with the metrics and scoring committee as a partner in supporting equity through the MSC’s work.

**Behavioral Health:**

While HEC doesn’t currently have specific Behavioral Health goals in its workplan, HEC members are interested in participating in Behavioral Health education and information gathering so that it can effectively integrate an Equity Framework into HEC, OHPB and OHA’s future Behavioral Health goals.
**CCO Procurement:**

HEC is interested in advocating for operationalizing health equity in this area by having OHA apply the Health Equity Impact Analysis tool in the CCO procurement process, which is part of the Equity Toolkit strategic goal.

**Upcoming recruitment needs:**

HEC will have another round of recruitment either in Spring 2024 or Fall 2024 to fill vacant seats, filling specific gaps in representation including OHP consumers and male-identifying individuals

**Support or guidance needs:**

See [upcoming committee work and decisions](#) above.

**Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:**

Second Thursday of each month, 12:00pm – 2:00pm.
Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

Community Engagement

As part of their Health IT Strategic Plan work, HITOC hosted interviews and engagement sessions to gather public input on their draft vision and goals. During this round of engagement, HITOC focused on connecting with specific community groups that were underrepresented in past engagement. HITOC hosted nine sector-specific sessions, gathering input from consumers, providers, and community leaders; from partners in behavioral health, carceral settings, and long-term care; and from organizations that serve rural areas, culturally specific communities, and tribal health clinics. Additionally, HITOC hosted two public listening sessions in September to solicit input from communities on their health IT priorities and needs. Attendees were asked their thoughts on HITOC’s draft Strategic Plan goals, including what’s working well, what challenges or barriers they experience, and what is needed to reach each goal.

Themes from this engagement, along with an analysis of prior engagement, can be found in the [Community Engagement and Input Report 2018-2023](#).

Strategic Plan development

HITOC continued making progress towards their Strategic Plan for Health IT for 2024-2028. In the October 2023 meeting, members drafted principles, which are the values that guide and inform each aspect of the Strategic Plan. HITOC’s draft principles lead with a focus on equity: Health IT must advance health equity and avoid reinforcing or worsening inequities. Members also reviewed the last concept paper from the Health Information Exchange (HIE) Workgroup they chartered in April 2022. The HIE Workgroup concluded their work in August 2023, and the Workgroup’s final paper “HIE to Support Health System Transformation” was presented to HITOC for their consideration. The paper explored ways to advance population health. Members discussed which of the Workgroup’s recommendations were most important to them, any areas of concern, and any areas that may need further investigation.

HITOC hosted their Strategic Plan Retreat in December 2023. It was their first in-person meeting since 2020. Members discussed the strategies and actions that partners across the health IT landscape should take to achieve the strategic goals. Members focused on equity, patient and consumer engagement, and the appropriate sharing and use of data during their discussions. These discussions helped to refine

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**Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC)**

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strategies to close remaining electronic health record (EHR) gaps, spread HIE and community information exchange (CIE), and encourage broad sharing of valuable data.

**Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:**

- Complete Strategic Plan for Health IT for 2024-2028 and submit to OHPB for review in Spring 2024.
  - Next steps include the development of a workplan to operationalize the Strategic Plan for Health IT for 2024-2028
- Recruit up to six new members and submit the new slate to OHPB for approval in spring 2024.

**Related to OHPB Priorities:**

**Affordability:**
Value-based payment (VBP) helps contain overall costs in the health care system. Health IT plays a critical role in managing VBP arrangements in populations and supporting VBP operations. CCOs are expected to rely on health IT to support their VBP arrangements, including:

- Administering payments to providers (for example, to calculate metrics and make payments consistent with its VBP models).
- Supporting providers with data needed to manage their VBP arrangements (such as actionable data, lists of patients assigned/attributed by the CCO to the clinic, and information on performance).
- Managing population health effectively through insight into member characteristics, utilization, and risk.

**Metrics:**
High-quality EHRs and electronic health information exchange can support use of metrics to improve the health care system. Metrics derived from clinical data and EHRs are a better source of real-time data than traditional claims-based metrics. EHR-based metrics can also better look at health outcomes. HITOC’s efforts to expand health IT adoption support more EHR and clinical data sharing.

**Behavioral Health:**
Behavioral Health is a focus area for HITOC’s Strategic Plan. HITOC recommends prioritizing resources for behavioral health providers (among others with lower technology adoption rates) to support EHR adoption and use and greater participation in HIE. HITOC monitors the behavioral health IT landscape, including EHR adoption and HIE, and engages with community mental health partners to better understand their health IT needs and challenges. Council membership includes representation from people with both professional and lived experience with the behavioral/mental health system.

**CCO Procurement:**
There are expectations in the CCO contracts involving health IT. HITOC is a partner to the Board in looking at the expectations in the contracts and adjusting those for the future if needed, particularly as we advance our work related to the social determinants of health (SDOH).
Upcoming Recruitment Needs:
HITOC is actively recruiting (Jan 17 – Feb 14) for up to 6 open seats for 2024. A gaps analysis has been completed to inform of representation needs.

Support or Guidance Needs:

- Our OHPB liaison, John Santa, ended his term in December 2023. John’s connection has been an invaluable resource for HITOC and we welcome future OHPB liaisons.
- Spring 2024 we will seek OHPB’s approval for
  - 2024-2028 Oregon Health IT Strategic Plan
  - New HITOC member slate

Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:

- February 1
- April 11
- June 6
- August 1
- October 10
- December 12
Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee (HIMAC)

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Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

- Updates to roster
  - September 23 Maribeth Guarino and Drew Tarab left the committee.
  - February 24
    - Terming out
      - Kraig Anderson – chair
    - Opted not to renew
      - Ines Kemper
      - Holly Sorensen
    - Renewing for another term
      - Ron Gallinat
      - Lindsey Hopper
      - Paul Harmon
      - Gladys Boutwell
      - Om Sukheenai
      - Nashoba Temperly
    - New members
      - Maya Littauer Chan
      - Charles Fisher
      - Stacy Carmichael
  - Updated our charter and bylaws as required by SB966.
  - Created our baseline work plan for 2024.

Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:

- Ongoing work for our transition into a State Based Marketplace as required by SB972 (2023).
- Review of the 2024 Open Enrollment Period and preparation for the 2025 Open Enrollment Period.
- Continuing work on the OHP Bridge Marketplace impact mitigation and the transition of people losing OHP benefits due to the end of the Public Health Emergency Unwinding.
Related to OHPB Priorities:

Consumer and Community Engagement: Marketplace Open Enrollment, OHP Bridge Marketplace impact mitigation, State Based Marketplace

Affordability:

Review of 2024 Marketplace plans and approval of 2025 plans.

Upcoming Recruitment Needs:

We are needing to recruit a general public member that is ideally a Marketplace enrollee.

Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:

- February 23
- April 18
- July 18
- October 17
- December 5

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Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee (HPQMC)

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**Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:**

Due to the changes to the committee responsibilities under Senate Bill 966 (2023), OHA will keep the HPQMC on hiatus while the study of the CCO Quality Incentive Program is conducted. The enrolled bill automatically adds any measures from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Adult and Child Core Sets and allows for measures to be added by the Metrics and Scoring Committee.
Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

Our ODHS representative, Jillian Johnson, and our member with oral health expertise, Tiffany Foy, resigned during this period.

Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:

1. Support OHPB’s role advising on 1115 Waiver implementation, focusing on social determinants of health work (SDOH) around housing.
2. Through the Advancing Consumer Experiences subcommittee, review current and proposed network adequacy rules, make comments, and consider recommendations for improvement.
3. Understand SHARE, HRSN, and other SDOH spending by CCOs for possible future action.
4. Convene a partner discussion of key issues in the Durable Medical Equipment-POS program.
5. Meet federal and state MAC requirements:
   a. Review fee-for-service access monitoring plans.
   b. Review changes to managed care quality rating strategies.
   c. Review CCO marketing materials.
   d. Review CCO acquisitions and mergers.

Related to OHPB Priorities:

Affordability: See #3 above

Metrics: See #1 and #3 above

Behavioral Health: The Ombuds program shared its six-month 2023 report, which focused on recommendations to address concerns consumers brought to them about children’s behavioral health.

Upcoming Recruitment Needs:

The MAC is currently recruiting for the following positions:

- One ODHS representative (mandatory)
- One oral health professional (optional);
- One physician living or practicing outside of the Willamette Valley (optional); and
• One person with professional or lived experience with Oregon's long-term services and supports (LTSS) program (optional).

**Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:**

• January 31, all Wednesdays 9am -12pm
• February 28
• April 17
• May 29
• June 26
• September 25
• October 30
• December 4

Note: All meetings will be held in person with an option to join virtually.
Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

The Metrics & Scoring Committee (M&SC) is tasked with selecting healthcare quality measures for inclusion in the CCO Quality Incentive Program. Through this program, CCOs can earn hundreds of millions of dollars in bonus funds for improving care for Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members.

Since the last Digest the Committee finalized the 2024 benchmarks and improvement targets CCOs must meet to earn the bonus funds (these can be found [here](#)).

Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions Related to OHPB Priorities:

Metrics:

The Committee’s statutorily mandated work over the next nine months is to make decisions about the measures and benchmarks to include in the incentive program for 2025. This includes consideration of program changes outlined in Senate Bill 966 to better leverage the program to advance health equity. In recognition of immediate changes stemming from SB 966, the need to learn from the findings and recommendations of the SB 966 program study, and the statutorily mandated functions the Committee, the work plan over the next nine months includes:

- **Shared space to build equity foundation for the program together.** This includes reviewing webinars and papers from equity measurement experts, reviewing efforts in other states, and discussing learnings and program implications together.
- **Beginning to explore how the benchmarks used by the program might be leveraged to advance health equity.** This includes reviewing current data feasibility and limitations.
- **Space for exploring the CMS Core Sets.** This is the first year the CMS Core Sets will be used as part of the program. There is a need to orient the Committee to the Core Sets, particularly areas where current incentive measures are not included, before measure selection must begin in May 2024.

As four current CCO incentive measures are not on the CMS Core Sets (1. Screening, Brief Intervention, & Referral to Treatment; 2. Preventive Dental & Oral Health Visits; 3. Oral Evaluation for Adults with Diabetes; and, 4. Cigarette Smoking Prevalence), the workplan includes focused time to discuss these measures. The Committee will consider whether they could be replaced with similar measures that may be included in the CMS Medicaid Core Measure Sets, whether they should be replaced with wholly different measures from the CMS Medicaid Core Measure Sets, or, whether they should be retired without replacement.
Upcoming Recruitment Needs:
None at this time.

Support or Guidance Needs:
Senate Bill 966 also directs OHA and OHPB to regularly evaluate the measures selected by the Committee. Inclusion of OHPB is new. In addition, the OHPB has selected metrics as a priority area. The Committee looks forward to working with OHPB on what this review and collaboration might look like moving forward.

Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:
- 9am – 12pm the third Friday of each month
Primary Care Payment Reform Collaborative (PCPRC)

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**Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:**

The Collaborative held a highly successful in-person strategic planning retreat on October 11 to discuss and land on focus areas for 2024 and beyond. Four focus areas were identified:

1) policy and legislative
2) primary care model education and implementation
3) data
4) social risk adjustment.

Staff drafted a workplan for the four areas to be discussed by the Collaborative at the January 31, 2024 meeting.

The Primary Care Value Based Payment (VBP) Model Quality Metrics Workgroup of the Collaborative comprised of payers and providers convened in September to develop a recommended quality measure set to include in the primary care VBP model. The measure set will be comprised of adult and child measures. The workgroup will present the measure set to the Collaborative in 2024 for approval.

The Collaborative expressed great interest in adjusting payments in the primary care VBP model for social risk. To pursue this interest, the Collaborative launched the Social Risk Adjustment Workgroup comprised of payers and providers convened in September to provide a space to learn and discuss methodologies for social risk adjustment with the goal of informing one or more pilots to be implemented by CCOs and contracted primary care practices. The workgroup will partner with CCOs and providers on a pilot/s and will update the Collaborative as the work progresses.

**Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions Related to OHPB Priorities:**

**Metrics:**
The Collaborative will finalize quality metrics for inclusion in the primary care VBP model.

**Behavioral Health:**
The primary care VBP model proposed quality metrics include several behavioral health focused measures. Infrastructure payments to support behavioral health integration are also included in the model.
Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:

All meetings occur from 12:30 – 2:30pm.

- January 31
- April 23
- July 24
- October 9
Quarter 4 2023 Committee Update:

- Recruited seven new members. Four were recruitments for new positions added through 2023 legislation (Two CBO representatives; health equity expert; and representative of early childhood through high school education). Three were for existing positions (CCO representative, state employee with expertise in public health; and a local public health administrator).
- Adopted updated Health Equity Review Policy and Procedure as a companion document to PHAB’s charter.
- Adopted a public health Strategic Data Plan.
- Adopted process measures for public health accountability metrics

Upcoming Committee Work and Decisions:

- Update public health modernization funding formula for local public health authorities (due June 2024)
- Approve the 2024 Public Health Modernization Funding Report (due June 2024)
- Make recommendations related to future public health modernization investments
- Approve Public Health Equity Framework (first deliverable in August 2024)
- Approve Public Health System Workforce recommendations (first deliverable in August 2024)
- Approve Public Health Accountability Metrics Report (anticipated in Summer 2024)
- Inform 2023-25 public health modernization evaluation (first deliverable in December 2024)

Related to OHPB Priorities:

Affordability:
Primary prevention as a strategy for affordability

Metrics:
PHAB’s planned work for public health accountability metrics aligns with OHPB’s metrics priority. This presents an opportunity to identify opportunities to address health care delivery system and public health shared priorities through aligned metrics.

Other areas of alignment include:

- Health care and public health workforce
• Health Equity. The OHPB Health Equity Committee supported PHAB in its 2023 update to its Health Equity Policy and Procedure. PHAB would like to continue to identify opportunities to work with HEC.

**Upcoming Recruitment Needs:**

PHAB looks forward to having the OHPB Liaison position filled when it is possible to do so.

**Support or Guidance Needs:**

• OHPB support to PHAB for maintaining connections with the OHPB Health Equity Committee, including for PHAB’s 2024 deliverable for the public health equity framework.
• OHPB support to establish and strengthen PHAB’s connections to health system initiatives including the Medicaid 1115 waiver and CCO incentive metrics.

**Upcoming 2024 Meeting Dates:**

• Second Thursdays of each month from 3 – 5:30pm