Summary
The Digest provides an activity update from the committees of the Oregon Health Policy Board (OHPB) each quarter. The Digest will summarize key work accomplished in the most recent quarter and highlight decisions and activities planned for the next quarter. Committee information included in the Digest is provided by lead committee staff and will be distributed to OHPB members the first month following each quarter (e.g., the 2021 Quarter 4 Digest distributed in January 2022, the 2022 Quarter 1 Digest distributed April 2022, etc.).

For additional information or questions, please contact Tara Chetock, Project Manager

Recruiting New Members!
The Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC), Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee (HIMAC), Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC), Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB) and the Cost Growth Target (CGT) Advisory Committee are actively recruiting new members. Please share these opportunities with your networks. See each Committee’s section in the Digest below for additional information and application materials.
Cost Growth Target Implementation Committee

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**Membership Recruitment:**
The Implementation Committee ended in December 2021 and will be replaced by the new Advisory Committee. The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Oregon Health Policy Board (OHPB) are seeking members for the Cost Growth Target Advisory Committee, the new governance committee for the Sustainable Health Care Cost Growth Target Program beginning in 2022. More information about the Advisory Committee and the application process is available [here](#).

**Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):**
- The Implementation Committee held their final meeting on Nov 22 and prepared to transition to the new Advisory Committee. In October, the Implementation Committee provided input for planning the initial cost growth target public hearing and reviewed preliminary market level cost trends data.

**Upcoming work and decisions (2021 – Quarter 4)?**
- The Cost Growth Target Implementation Committee has ended. The new Cost Growth Target Advisory Committee will launch in Q1 2022 after appointment by OHPB, with meetings slated to begin in February 2022.

**Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan?**
- The Cost Growth Target Advisory Committee will adopt a new workplan in Q1 2022.

**Overview**
The Oregon Legislature through Senate Bill 889 (2019 Laws) established the Sustainable Health Care Cost Growth Target Program within the OHA. The idea for a health care cost growth target in Oregon came from Senate Bill 419 (2017) Task Force recommendations.

**OHPB Liaison**
Bill Kramer

**Most recent meeting**
Nov. 22, 2021
(Link to [agenda & recording](#))

**Next Meeting**
N/A - dates TBD for new committee

**Committee website**

**Email** CGT

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Health Care Workforce Committee (HCWF)

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**Membership Recruitment:**
The HCWF Committee plans to solicit new members in late Spring of 2022, in time for a full process to put new members in place for the 2023 calendar year. There are provisions for up to two student members also; neither seat is filled currently.

**Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):**

- Health Equity Framework presented to Board for review and approval; complete.

**Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?**

- Election of a new Chair and Vice Chair.
- There are no planned reports to OHPB in the first quarter of 2022.

**Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan?** (No)

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**Overview**
The Health Care Workforce Committee was established in 2010 by House Bill 2009 and reports directly to the Oregon Health Policy Board. The Health Care Workforce Committee coordinates efforts to recruit and educate health care professionals and retain a quality workforce.

**OHPB Liaison**
Brenda Johnson

**Most recent meeting**
Nov. 3, 2021 (Link to [agenda](#))

**Next meeting**
Jan. 5, 2022

**Committee website**

**Email** HCWF
Membership Recruitment:
The Health Equity Committee completed its 2021 recruitment. New members and members that are continuing were confirmed by OHPB at their December 2021 Meeting.

Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):

- During Q2 and Q3, HEC established an ad-hoc workgroup that is actively working on fulfilling the OHPB ask on ensuring an equity centered 1115 waiver application.
- The HEC workgroup continues providing guidance and feedback to OHA 1115 waiver team in the development and application of the Health Equity Impact Assessment tool. In addition, during Q3 the committee invested significant time in the recruitment of new members.
- During the December 2021 meeting, the HEC took the time to build relationships between current and new HEC members, and time to reflect on the work that has been performed since 2017.

Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?

- January 2022 - HEC workplan brainstorming session.
- February 2022 - new Co-Chair elections
- March 2022 – Vote to approve 2022 HEC workplan.

Updates or changes to Committee's workplan?

New and current membership will have the opportunity to participate in a brainstorming session during the month of January. In addition, HEC will incorporate major elements of OHPB workplan to their 2022 workplan to ensure alignment. The final HEC workplan is set to be approved at the March 2022 HEC meeting.

Overview
HEC was established by OHPB and is responsible for reviewing health policy and leading efforts to develop best-practice policies which improve health equity in the State. It is actively working to support OHA's strategic goal of eliminating health inequities by 2030.

OHPB Liaison
David Bangsberg
Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC)

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**Membership Recruitment:**
Seats remain open to fill additional gaps. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis. The application and background information can be found on the [HITOC recruitment page](#).

**Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):**
- HITOC had an initial discussion of the vision for the Strategic Plan Update.
- HITOC has chartered and approved membership for the Community Information Exchange Workgroup. A subset of members is working with staff to develop a charter and call for nominations for a Health Information Exchange (HIE) Workgroup. These two work groups will develop many of the legislative recommendations for the Strategic Plan.
- HITOC has also been attending education sessions to provide background knowledge on important topics for the Strategic Plan Update.

**Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?**
- HITOC may request OHPB to approve up to 3 additional HITOC members.

**Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan?** The addition of the HIE Workgroup.

**Overview** HITOC is tasked with setting goals and developing a strategic health information technology plan for the state, as well as monitoring progress in achieving those goals and providing oversight for the implementation of the plan. HITOC coordinates Oregon’s public and private statewide efforts in electronic health records adoption and the development of a statewide network of electronic health information exchange tools.

**OHPB Liaison** John Santa

Most recent meeting Dec. 2, 2021 (Link to notes & recording)
Next Meeting Feb. 3, 2022
Committee website
Email HITOC
Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee (HI-MAC)

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Membership Recruitment:
- A recruitment was sent through GovDelivery on December 15th. To date, seven interested individuals have emailed with their interest.
- Chiqui Flowers, OHIM Administrator, has been connecting with community members that have been recommended by committee members, staff, Governor’s policy advisors, and legislators.

Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):
The committee received updates on the following topics:
- The end of the public health emergency and the role of the Marketplace
- Public option
  - Will be setting up meetings to have further discussion about this topic in January
- Build Back Better Act
- 2022 legislative session
- OHPB committee membership workgroup

Awaiting additional details in early 2022.

Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)? (no updates to share)

Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan? (No)
Overview
HPQMC was established by Senate Bill 440 (2015) to identify health outcome and quality measures that may be applied to services provided by CCOs or paid for by health benefit plans sold through the health insurance exchange or offered by PEBB/OEBB.

OHPB Liaison: Kirsten Isaacson

Most recent meeting
Nov. 30, 2021 (Link to agenda)

Next Meeting
Jan. 25, 2022

Committee website

Email HPQMC

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**Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee (HPQMC)**

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**Membership Recruitment:**
There are currently two current vacancies are for the following seats:

- An individual representing the Department of Consumer and Business Services and
- One individual representing insurers, large employers, or multiple employer welfare arrangements

**Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):**
- In October, HPQMC held a joint meeting with the Metrics and Scoring Committee focused on centering equity, including changes in the CCO quality incentive metrics program.
- In November, HPQMC discussed reflections from the joint meeting, the Committee Membership Project, and the workplan for 2022.

**Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?**
- Provide input on a report to the legislature
- Decide on any updates to the measure’s menu for use in 2023

**Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan?** (No)
Metrics and Scoring Committee (M&SC)

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Membership Recruitment:
The recruitment period for the Metrics & Scoring Committee just ended; and will be used to fill above vacancies and future vacancies due to terms ending later in the year. There are nine vacancies, with currently 1 CCO vacancy and 2 member-at-large vacancies.

Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):
The Committee used its November meeting to discuss changes to the incentive program planned with the new Medicaid waiver and how to best set the new structure up for success. This included discussion how to center equity in all committee decisions and practices and the work plan over the next year. The high-level work plan for 2022 is below:

Primary Objective: Statutory Requirements
- Select 2023 incentive measure set and benchmarks

Secondary Objective: Groundwork for New Measurement Structure
- Begin thinking through shift to choosing downstream measures from CMS core set and benchmarking for equity
- Review claims-based core set analyses by REALD
- Explore benchmarking options related to closing gaps by REALD

Operational Structure
- Monthly meetings
- Feb – April: review CMS Core set by REALD
- May – September: 2023 measure set decisions

Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)? (None)
Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan? (No)

Overview
M&SC was established in 2012 by Senate Bill 1580 for the purpose of recommending outcomes and quality measures for CCOs.

OHPB Liaison: Kirsten Isaacson

Most recent meeting
Nov. 19, 2021 (Link to agenda & recording)

Next Meeting
Feb. 18, 2022

Committee website Email M&SC
# Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC)

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## Membership Recruitment:
- The Medicaid Advisory Committee currently has four vacant seats, which include:
  - one member of a health care consumer group that services OHP members,
  - two members of the general public, including individuals with OHP experience either as an enrollee, family member, or caregiver,
  - one member of a health care organization.
- The MAC has an open recruitment notice to fill 4 seats as well as develop a pipeline of candidates for terms that will end over the next 12 months. There are 3 candidates in the pipeline who are waiting for a decision by the executive appointments team. The recruitment notice is available [here](#).

## Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):
- Submitted the [Advancing Consumer Experience subcommittee report](#) and recommendations to OHA leadership.
- Lavinia Goto elected as committee co-chair for a two-year term beginning in January 2022.

## Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?
- Late Q1 – MAC update on CCO 2.0 monitoring and consumer voice subcommittee recommendations

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**Overview**
MAC is a federally mandated body which advises the OHA State Medicaid Director and the Department of Human Services on the policies, procedures, and operation of Oregon's Medicaid program, through a consumer and community lens. The MAC develops policy recommendations at the request of the governor, the legislature and OHA.

**OHPB Liaison:** John Santa

**Most recent meeting**
Dec. 15, 2021 (Link to agenda & recording)

**Next Meeting**
Jan. 26, 2022

**Committee website**
Email [MAC](#)
Primary Care Payment Reform Collaborative (PCPRC)

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Membership Recruitment:
PCPRC plans to solicit new member applications in early 2022. The current vacant seat openings are for the consumer representative / consumer advocacy organization seat and the ONA representative seat.

Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):
- Collaborative finalized a memo on primary care VBP to the VBP Compact Workgroup. The memo was presented to the Compact Workgroup on 12/13/21 by two PCPRC members who are also members of the Compact Workgroup.
- Collaborative finalized a document to recommend incentivizing the integration of Traditional Health Workers (THWs) in primary care through payment strategies, including value-based payment (VBP). The document will be shared with other interested stakeholders such as the THW Commission, the OHA Office of Equity and Inclusion and states engaged in similar work.
- Staff are interviewing all members about the focus of the Collaborative in 2022 and beyond, and the ideal role of the Collaborative in the payment transformation space. Findings will be summarized and discussed at the January Collaborative meeting for prioritization.

Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?
- Send annual report to the legislature and OHPB in Q1.

Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan?
- The Collaborative workplan will be revised based on the discussion at the January meeting.

Overview
Oregon is required by statute (Chapter 575 Oregon Laws) to convene a Primary Care Payment Reform Collaborative to advise and assist in the implementation of a Primary Care Transformation Initiative.

OHPB Liaison: (vacant)

Most recent meeting  
Oct. 6, 2021  
Next meeting  
Jan. 11, 2022  
Committee website  
Email PCPRC
Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB)

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Membership Recruitment:
- Open recruitment for Public Health Metrics Expert
  - For more information on how to apply for executive membership, please visit the Governor’s Office website: [https://www.oregon.gov/gov/admin/Pages/How_To_Apply.aspx](https://www.oregon.gov/gov/admin/Pages/How_To_Apply.aspx). Please note the executive membership application process is completed through Workday.
  - PHAB is recruiting new candidates for persons who represent people who provide public health services; health care representative; public member for positions starting January 1st.

Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):
- PHAB conducted two health equity capacity building trainings, one in September and one in December.
- PHAB held a meeting with community partners who have been providing leadership on community-led approaches to public health data collection and will be working in 2022 on the next steps resulting from that meeting.

Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)? (None)

Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan? (No)
Behavioral Health Committee (BHC)

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Membership Recruitment:
Membership representations required by statute have been mostly satisfied. House Bill 2086 required that the Behavioral Health Committee include a Tribal representative. The Tribal Governments elected for that seat to remain vacant until further notice. In addition, the statute allows for the Oregon Health Authority Director to make additional appointments.

Committee Work (2021 – Quarter 4):
- The Behavioral Health Committee began meeting weekly on November 15 to current date. As required by House Bill 2086, the Committee will establish metrics and incentives. In order to establish metrics and incentives, the Committee’s initial discussions have focused on outcomes, which will inform the metrics and incentives.
- During initial meetings, the Committee engaged in small groups to envision transformative outcomes that also advanced health equity and subsequently met to refine those outcomes. Combing those outcomes, the Committee’s Tri-Chairs drafted a vision of the ultimate outcome, which would be informed by asking this critical question: “Are you getting out of the behavioral health system what you need?” This ultimate outcome utilized the outcomes and discussions from previous Committee meetings as determined by the Tr-Chairs. At the current date, the Committee is engaging in a discussion on this ultimate outcome and will further discuss this vision moving forward or electing a different outcome(s) to further determine metrics and incentives.

Upcoming work and decisions (2022 – Quarter 1)?
- The Committee elected to include Tri-Chairs. The third Tri-Chair seat is currently vacant. The Committee will select a member to fulfill that seat during the January 18 meeting.
- February 1, 2022: Establish metrics and incentives for the behavioral health system.

Updates or changes to Committee’s workplan? (No)

Overview
Oregon legislature passed House Bill (HB) 2086 in 2021, to establish the Behavioral Health Committee, whose purpose is to increase the quality of behavioral health services and transform Oregon’s behavioral health system through improved outcomes, metrics, and incentives.

OHPB Liaison
Ebony Clarke

Most recent meeting
Jan. 3, 2022 (Link to agenda and recording)
Next Meeting
Jan. 18, 2022
Committee website
Email BHC