



Oregon School-Based Health Center Program Parent/Guardian Info Sheet - Youth Participation in Listening Session

Purpose: The Adolescent and School Health (ASH) Program in the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is conducting listening sessions with high school aged youth (15+) in winter 2023. During the listening sessions, youth participants will be asked about school-based health centers (SBHCs) and their experiences and needs around accessing health services, including mental health, reproductive health, and confidentiality. The information shared will be used to support planning for the Oregon SBHC program.

Procedure: We hope to hold 4-6 youth listening sessions which will happen remotely over Zoom. Each session will consist of 5-7 youth participants and will be facilitated by an ASH staff member. The listening session will last approximately 90 minutes. The session will consist of a group discussion and responding to poll questions.

Voluntary Participation: Your child's participation in this listening session is voluntary. Your child is not obligated to participate in this group. If your child does participate, they can join in the conversation as much or as little as is comfortable. Youth may choose not to answer any questions. Youth may leave the group at any time and for any reason.

Benefits and Risks: Each participant will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card. An additional benefit of participation is the opportunity to inform OHA of your child's experiences with and opinions on SBHCs. There are no known risks to your child's participation in this project. Should your child experience any distress from participating in this listening session, please notify the contact listed below.

Confidentiality: This listening session is confidential. Listening session participants will be assigned pseudonyms (a color) throughout the duration of the discussion to maintain anonymity. Only staff at ASH will be able to access information about your child's participation in this group. The group discussion will be analyzed for themes and the color pseudonym will be used to attribute any quotes. A report of this study may be published or shared with partners, however

only de-identified or group results will be stated. No personally identifying information about your child will be published or presented. We ask that participants respect the privacy of other listening session members by not disclosing any content of discussions. Individual responses and information will not be shared with your child's school or SBHC.

Questions: You may contact the School-Based Health Center Program Coordinator, Kate O'Donnell, if you have any questions about this listening session or the Oregon SBHC program, or if you do not want your child to participate. Kate can be reached at kathryn.m.odonnell@dhsosha.state.or.us or 503-509-3832.