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INTRODUCTION TO OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY RULES ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Rules Advisory Committees (RACs) provide an opportunity for external experts, individuals, entities and advocates to provide input to Oregon Health Authority (OHA) about proposed rulemaking. RAC members will have the opportunity to review and comment on proposed rules, the agency's Statement of Need and Fiscal Impact and the rulemaking notice. The RAC's role is advisory and therefore consensus is not necessary.

OHA and the Health Licensing Office (HLO) considers RACs public meetings and any individual is welcome to attend, observe and listen. However only those specifically invited to be a member of the committee may participate fully in the meeting. RACs will include time for the public to comment.

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After the RAC ends, the agency will finalize the proposed text and submit a notice of rulemaking or notice of hearing to the Secretary of State. The public will have the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed rules as required by statute. Comments received during this period may affect the final text of the rule.