

Public Health Advisory Board Accountability Metrics subcommittee

I. Background

The Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB) is established by ORS 431.122 as a body that reports to the Oregon Health Policy Board (OHPB). The purpose of the PHAB is to be the accountable body for governmental public health in Oregon.

The role of the PHAB includes:

- Alignment of public health priorities with available resources.
- Analysis and communication of what is at risk when there is a failure to invest resources in public health.
- Oversight for Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division strategic initiatives, including the State Health Assessment and State Health Improvement Plan.
- Oversight for governmental public health strategic initiatives, including the implementation of public health modernization.
- Support for state and local public health accreditation.

Since 2016, PHAB has established subcommittees that meet on an as-needed basis in order to comply with statutory requirements and complete deliverables. PHAB currently has three subcommittees:

- 1. Accountability Metrics Subcommittee**, which reviews existing public health data and metrics to propose biannual updates to public health accountability measures for consideration by the PHAB.
- 2. Incentives and Funding Subcommittee**, which develops recommendations on the local public health authority funding formula for consideration by the PHAB.
- 3. Strategic Data Plan Subcommittee**, which makes recommendations for a public health system plan for the collection, analysis and reporting of population health data.

This charter defines the purpose, scope, and deliverables for the PHAB Accountability Metrics Subcommittee.

II. Purpose:

In 2016 PHAB adopted the first set of public health accountability metrics for Oregon's governmental public health system. Public health accountability metrics are one way that Oregon's public health system demonstrates that it is eliminating health inequities, improving health and effectively using public dollars through a modern public health system. Since 2018, Oregon Health Authority, in coordination with PHAB and the

Accountability Metrics subcommittee, has published an annual accountability metrics report.

In October 2020, PHAB adopted its current [Health Equity Review Policy and Procedure](#), which reflects PHAB's values and a commitment for the public health system to lead with racial equity.

In February 2021 the Accountability Metrics subcommittee was reformed and tasked with reviewing the purpose, framing and use of public health accountability metrics. In addition the subcommittee will review and update the metrics set in alignment with PHAB's vision as articulated in the Health Equity Review Policy and Procedure.

III. Stakeholders

A Stakeholder is: "Individuals and organizations who are actively involved in the project, or whose interest may be positively or negatively affected as a result of the project execution or successful project completion."¹

For the purpose of this effort, the following stakeholders have been identified.

- Community members
- Local Public Health Authorities
- Tribes
- Community-based Organizations
- Coordinated Care Organizations
- Federally Qualified Health Centers and other community health clinics
- Hospitals

IV. Deliverables

1. Recommendations for updates to public health accountability metrics framing and use, including to eliminate health inequities.
 2. Recommendations for updates to communicable disease and environmental health metrics.
 3. Recommendations on engagement with partners and key stakeholders, as needed.
 4. Recommendations for developing new metrics, as needed.
 5. Recommendations for sharing information with communities.
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Items that are out of scope for this subcommittee:

1. Developing metrics for groups other than the public health system

V. Subcommittee member responsibilities

- Regularly attend meetings and communicate with OHA staff to the subcommittee when unable to attend on a regular basis;
- To the extent possible, review meeting materials ahead of time and come prepared to participate in discussions.
- Share relevant information with one's own organization or with other groups as relevant.

V. Resources

This subcommittee is staffed by the OHA Public Health Division:

- Sara Beaudrault, Office of the Public Health Director, Public Health Modernization Lead
- Kusuma Madamala, Program Design and Evaluation Services, Research Scientist