



Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP) Workgroup

Participation Practices

The Central Oregon Health Council's (COHC) Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP) workgroups are made up of many people/partners from different parts of our communities. Every individual brings a unique and valued perspective. All of our perspectives, together, increase our ability to positively change our health and well-being. We make every effort to make sure people from every part of our many communities are present and included in our discussions, processes and decisions.

We want to help you fully understand our RHIP workgroups before participating. This will make it easier for you and for the other workgroup partners.

- If you are interested in participating in a workgroup, or are new to a workgroup, we will meet with you to educate you about the COHC, the RHIP, and the workgroup.
- Please email kelsey.seymour@cohealthcouncil.org or call 541.306.3523 to schedule a time.

All RHIP workgroups are open to the public and anyone interested in the workgroup topic. Please share your knowledge, insights and experiences in the discussions. Participating regularly gives you better understanding of the many perspectives, goals, and direction of the RHIP workgroup.

- When you participate in three monthly RHIP workgroup meetings within a 6-month period, you can vote on funding decisions. At this point, you will be called a "Voting Partner" and can vote starting at your fourth workgroup meeting.
- When you become a Voting Partner, they will need to complete the Conflict of Interest form and give it to a COHC staff person. You can find the form at [_____](#).

Once you become a Voting Partner, your presence and absence are important to us and the community-led work the RHIP workgroup is involved in.

- If you are absent for three RHIP workgroup meetings in a row or come to four or less RHIP workgroup meetings in 12 months, you will no longer be a Voting Partner.
- If you choose to stop attending a workgroup, please tell a COHC Staff person as soon as possible. You can email your workgroup facilitator or call 541.306.3523.