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Dear friends, health advocates, and community partners,

The Universal Health Plan Governance Board is pleased to announce that it is recruiting members of the general public to volunteer to join its work.

The Oregon Legislature created the Universal Health Plan Governance Board with Senate Bill (SB) 1089 in 2023. The board is charged with developing a comprehensive plan to finance and administer a universal health plan for all Oregon residents, and we would like you and your experience to help create the plan. This plan is due to be presented to Gov. Tina Kotek and the Oregon Legislature by September 2026.

The board will select members of the public to serve on these four committees:

- Community Engagement and Communications
- Finance and Revenue
- Plan Design and Expenditures
- Operations and Transition

Each committee will have members from the board to serve as a chairperson and liaison from the board to the committee. We are looking for additional community members, experts, or interested parties to join each committee. The board is seeking both people with expertise and those with lived experience to serve this important effort.

We hope you will join this meaningful work by serving on one of these four committees. The following is a brief summary of the deliverables for each committee and some of the skills and perspectives needed.

Committees:

Community Engagement and Communications – responsible for developing recommendations on community engagement and communications materials that will reach businesses, health care providers, and the general public. This includes focused engagement with interested parties during the various workstreams to ensure engagement with specific communities as called out in the legislation that created the board. Committee members may have lived experience or knowledge of specific industries and communities affected by a universal health plan.

Finance and Revenue – responsible for developing recommendations to the board on a unified financing strategy for the universal health plan. Committee members may have knowledge of finance and revenue, business administration of health care benefits, and Oregon's taxation system.

Plan Design and Expenditures – responsible for making recommendations to the board on the elements of the universal health plan, including eligibility, benefit design, quality improvement, provider reimbursements, cost containment strategies, and workforce needs. Committee

members will need to have experience and knowledge of the health care industry as a consumer, provider, or academic.

Operations – responsible for making recommendations to the board on the future operations of a new public corporation dedicated to providing health care for all people who live in Oregon. This committee also will be responsible for a transition plan from the status quo to a universal health plan. Committee members will need to be interested in, and have knowledge of, health plan operations.

To ensure equitable representation, we are seeking diverse representatives from all identities and areas of the state.

Please complete all the sections of [the online application](#) to be considered. Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 28. For questions or help, contact the Universal Health Plan Governance Board at UHPGB.info@dcbs.oregon.gov.

Please share widely with your networks and let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Helen Bellanca, Chairperson
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Warren George, Vice Chairperson
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