

PARC Community Board Member Solicitation Notice



The Pesticide Analytical and Response Center (PARC) is looking for applicants to join the PARC board as a community representative. This is an opportunity to learn more about pesticides in Oregon and contribute a unique perspective to the other board members. We are particularly interested in an Oregon resident who will provide input on possible public education and outreach, effective communication with the public, recommended actions, and prevention of future pesticide incident occurrences (risk mitigation).

The community member should have an interest in the topics covered and a commitment to serving and representing the public interest, and not the interests of a particular organization or of single issue.

Experience or ability in several of the following areas is desired:

- General familiarity with pesticide use practices and the necessity for the protection of persons, property, wildlife, and environment of this state;
- Ability to be an advocate for all community members and have a history of working with various organizations;
- Diverse perspective and the ability to collaborate with others;
- Ability to know what information may be of value to underrepresented communities and how to convey and share various types of information;
- Consensus-building skills and experience working on a team or committee;
- Demonstrate good judgment, integrity, and fairness;
- Have an objective, unbiased interest in identifying trends in acute pesticide poisonings and emerging pesticide hazards to guide education efforts for prevention and to inform policymakers;
- Well-developed analytical, critical thinking, and decision-making skills;
- Strategic thinking and relationship building skills; and
- Effective communication and outreach skills.

Time Commitment:

There is an expectation to attend one 3-hour meeting every other month and spend 1-2 hours per month reviewing and commenting on documents and participating in calls. Community member positions are volunteer positions. When applicable, and upon request, the Community board member is reimbursed for eligible mileage and parking.

All new and existing PARC board members are expected to actively engage and participate. Therefore, it is important to be realistic and clear on your time availability and your ability to commit to being a PARC board member. The PARC community board member position has a defined term of service of two years, and community members are subject to a two-term limit.

How to apply?

Instructions are provided at <https://oda.direct/PARC>. Deadline to apply is Sept. 4, 2024.

Questions?

Email PARC@oda.oregon.gov