



Office of Health Equity Advisory Committee

OHE Advisory Committee Roles and Responsibilities

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Overview of the Advisory Committee (AC)

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Roles and Responsibilities Review (part 1)

- ✓ Participate in four meetings per year.
- ✓ Actively participate in every convened meeting of the Committee from beginning to adjournment.
- ✓ Prepare for each meeting by reading materials distributed in advance.
- ✓ Engage in small and large group discussions in a manner that is respectful of divergent perspectives, ideas, and experiences.
- ✓ Work to achieve consensus on recommendations of the Committee.
- ✓ Facilitate communication between community representatives and the Committee.



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Roles and Responsibilities Review (part 2)

- ✓ Gather local community and/or affiliation group input regarding needs and priorities for consideration by the Committee.
- ✓ Work within a group process to meet deadlines.
- ✓ Make recommendations on a broad range of health and mental health related issues that improve the health status of all populations and places, with a priority on eliminating health and mental health disparities and achieving equity.
- ✓ Solicit and reflect the views of represented constituencies as well as their personal perspectives and expertise.



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Membership Selection

- ✓ Background, experience, and/or knowledge in public health, healthcare, mental health, policy, program planning and development, quality improvement, and/or research/data related to public health and mental health.
- ✓ Affiliation with or representation of vulnerable community groups.
- ✓ Knowledge and experience regarding specific issues affecting vulnerable communities and vulnerable places to increase positive health and mental health outcomes.
- ✓ How input from constituencies that you represent will be obtained and how the issues addressed by the Committee will be communicated to community members.



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Priority Areas for AC

- Develop a shared understanding of health equity and social and mental health disparities.
- Ensure bidirectional communication and linkages to vulnerable communities, Health in All Policies (HiAP) Task Force, and state and local agencies to help guide decision making.
- Collaborate with OHE staff on completing the cross sectoral Strategic Plan (SP) to eliminate health and mental health disparities and inequities by:
 - Participating on subcommittees
 - Identifying participants/members who will work on the following:
 - ✓ Data
 - ✓ SP framework and process