

Application for OHS Quality Council Consumer Representatives

The Office of Health Strategy (OHS) is seeking a healthcare consumer to serve on the Quality Council (QC). OHS's mission is to implement comprehensive, data-driven strategies that promote equal access to high-quality health care, control costs, and ensure better health outcomes for all Connecticut residents.

Background

Quality Council

This work group will recommend clinical quality measures, patient safety, consumer experience, and over-and under-utilization measures or benchmarks, including benchmarks and measures that are focused on eliminating health disparities among people of color and LGBTQ+ individuals to assess primary care, specialty, and hospital provider and public and private payer performance for the [OHS Cost Growth and Quality Benchmarks and Primary Care Target program](#), created by Governor Lamont's [Executive Order No.5](#). This work group will continue to make recommendations to OHS on a common provider scorecard format for use by all payers, will reassess quality measures and benchmarks on a regular basis to identify gaps, and incorporate new national clinical quality measures as appropriate to keep pace with clinical and technological practice. OHS aims to achieve top quintile performance among all states for key measures of quality of care and increase the proportion of providers and payers meeting quality targets. The Council will identify and formulate a plan for engaging key stakeholder groups to provide input to various aspects of the Council's work. The Council will also convene ad hoc design teams to resolve technical issues that arise in its work.

Quality Council Vision

The overarching vision of the Quality Council is to improve health outcomes for all Connecticut residents.

Applicants

We seek consumers, advocates and others experienced in dealing with health conditions. We choose a diverse and balanced mix of participants, and will consider life experience, individual circumstances, source of health insurance, and race or ethnicity. Candidates should be comfortable sharing views, have good problem-solving skills, and be willing to work with others. We invite individuals with diverse experiences to apply.

Serving as a Quality Council member provides an opportunity to learn about healthcare in Connecticut and to be a voice for consumers.

Consumer Member Responsibilities

- Engaging consumers and promoting community input on healthcare quality improvement and innovation strategies
- Ensuring meaningful consumer participation for healthcare policy decisions.
- Attend monthly meetings based on a schedule to be determined by the Council members (schedules are posted on the OHS [website](#)). (Meetings will be held virtually until further notice.)
- Members may also serve on QC subcommittees or work groups that support specific initiatives.

To learn more about the QC and our activities, contact: Hanna Nagy at Hanna.Nagy@ct.gov

Applications are due to OHS by Friday, July 16, 2021

