The Community Advisory Council (CAC) is chartered by the Health Share of Oregon (HSO) Board of Directors to advise and make recommendations to it on the strategic direction of the organization. The CAC will help HSO remain responsive to consumer and community health needs. The CAC is intended to enable consumers, which will comprise a majority of the CAC, to take an active role in improving their own health and that of their family and community members.

Specifically, the CAC will advise the HSO Board of Directors in the following areas:

1. HSO Strategic Plan
2. HSO Quality Improvement Plan
3. Development, implementation and evaluation of innovative initiatives, programs, services and activities
4. Identification of opportunities to improve population health in the Tri-County (Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties) community
5. Provide feedback to HSO about strategies to engage the community in Coordinated Care Organization planning;
6. Provide advice to help HSO link the community’s medical and non-medical services in order to overcome barriers to health;
7. Provide, with direction from HSO, a link back to community constituents to aid in achieving the HSO Mission, Vision and Goals.

The CAC will also assist HSO and:

1. Identify and advocate for HSO preventive care practices;
2. Maximize engagement of those enrolled in the Oregon Health Plan (“OHP”);
3. Oversee the Community Health Assessment*;
4. Adopt the Community Health Improvement Plan to serve as a strategic population health and health care system service plan for the communities served by HSO;

Members of the CAC will be recruited to represent the diversity of the community including race/ethnicity, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, and geographic location, should possess a collaborative working style, and provide expertise and insight in the areas of mental health, addictions, wellness promotion, education, housing, seniors’ services, culturally specific health services, children and youth services, corrections and public safety, disability services and health disparities. Individuals with a broad community perspective on health matters will be preferred.

The CAC shall assist and advise HSO in promoting and achieving its Mission, Vision, Values and Goals:

**Mission**
Our mission is to develop an integrated community health system that achieves better care, better health, and lower costs for the Medicaid population and the Tri-County community.

**Vision**
We are a collaborative of organizations devoted to the health of the community.

**Values**
Accountability
Transparency
Integrity
Collaboration
Sustainability

**Goals**
1. Deliver coordinated, high quality services at the right place at the right time.
2. Engage OHP members, the high-risk uninsured, providers, and community resources in meaningful partnerships.
3. Work to eliminate health disparities.
4. Focus on excellent customer service and satisfaction

*A robust and inclusive Shared Community Health Needs Assessment process has been established and is active for the four-county area (Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington State). The CAC will work with the results of the four-county group to refine and recommend health improvement strategies for the resulting Health Improvement Plan.*