

Primary Care Strategy Committee Roster

The Oregon Health Policy Board appointed members to this committee on March 3, 2026, May 5, 2026, and June 2, 2026. Relevant materials are published on the [Board's web page](#), and more information about this committee may be found on the [committee's web page](#).

Name	Title	Organization	Perspective
Betsy Boyd-Flynn	Executive Director	Oregon Academy of Family Physicians	Professional association representing primary care providers
Carly Hood-Ronick	Vice President, Metro Region	CareOregon	Health care payer
Cathy Merz	Vice President of Benefits	Capital Benefit Group-Cathy Merz Insurance	Non-health care employer that purchases health insurance
Danielle Sobel	Policy and Regulatory Affairs Senior Director	Oregon Primary Care Association	Professional association representing primary care providers
Deb Patterson	Senator	Oregon Senate	Legislator
Deborah Cohen	Professor and Research Vice Chair	Oregon Health and Sciences University Family Medicine	Primary care workforce expert
Douglas Lincoln	Pediatrician/Partner	Metropolitan Pediatrics	Primary care provider
Elise Phelps	Primary Care Clinical Pharmacist	Legacy Health	Primary care team member

Erik Vanderlip	• Chief Medical Officer and Psychiatrist/Family Physician • Contract Hospitalist and Emergency Psychiatrist	• Care Nimble • Providence Health and Services	Specialty care provider
Grant Kennon	• President and Chief Executive Officer	• Cascade Health Alliance	Health care payer
Linda Lang	• Vice President of Physician Services and Practice Management	• McKenzie-Willamette Medical Center / McKenzie Physician Services	Health system / hospital
Lisa Reynolds	• Senator	• Oregon Senate	Legislator
Lorenzo Perez	• Executive Director	• First Light Recovery	Consumer / patient / health equity advocate
Nicolas Powers	• Chief Executive Officer	• Winding Waters Clinic	Health center administrator
Raffaella Betza	• Family Physician and Medical Director • Regional Assistant Dean for Medical Education	• Elgin/Union/Urgent Care Clinics, Grand Ronde Hospitals • Idaho College	Primary care provider
Ricardo Palazuelos	• Bilingual Community Educator	• Washington County Health and Human Services Department, Solid Waste and Recycling Division	Consumer / patient / health equity advocate
Shelby Lee Freed	• Primary Care Nurse Practitioner and Director of Community Health - Primary Care • Assistant Professor	• Orchid Health • OHSU School of Nursing	Primary care provider
Steve Fritz	• Member • Commissioner	• InterCommunity Health Network Coordinated Care Organization Community Advisory Council	Consumer / patient / health equity advocate

		Governor's Commission on Senior Services	
Tracy Muday	Executive Medical Director	Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon	Health care payer
Clare Pierce-Wrobel	Director of Health Policy and Analytics	Oregon Health Authority	Ex-officio
Jesse O'Brien	Policy Manager, Division of Financial Regulation	Department of Consumer and Business Services	Ex-officio