Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC) Context and Proposed Slate

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HITOC's Responsibilities

The Oregon Legislature created HITOC to ensure health system transformation efforts are supported by Health IT, such as electronic health records and connecting systems to coordinate care.

HITOC's responsibilities:

1. Set Oregon's Health IT strategy; explore/monitor Health IT policy
2. Assess Oregon's Health IT landscape; report on progress
3. Oversee OHA's Health IT efforts

Main focus 2021-2022: Update Oregon's Health IT Strategic Plan

HITOC Strategic Plan: Health IT Goals
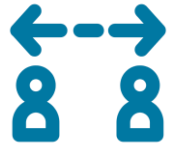
1. Share patient information across care team

2. Use data for system improvement, value-based payment and cost containment efforts

3. Patients can access their own health information and collaborate in their care

Emerging areas: Social determinants of health; health equity

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Health IT Challenges

Connecting

- EHRs still face challenges "talking to each other"
- COVID-19 showed need for connected systems with public health
- New opportunities for connecting health care and social services

Rules and Standards

- Recent federal health IT rules change the incentives/penalties and promote patient apps
- Oregon's race, ethnicity, language, disability (REALD) data standards are not implemented in EHRs

$ OHA's Health IT Budget transition

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Spotlight: Community Information Exchange (CIE)
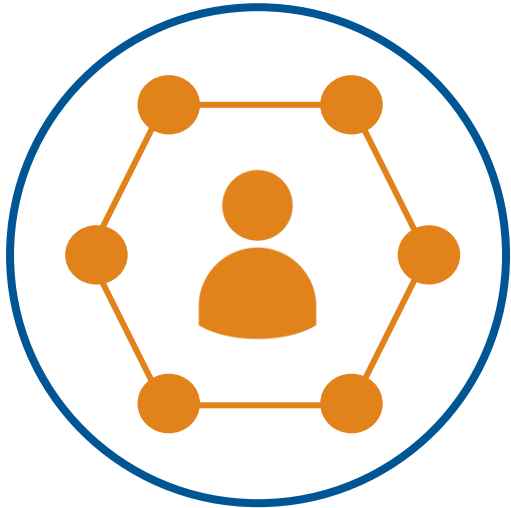
CIE is

- A network of healthcare and human/social service partners
- Using a technology platform to
- Electronically connect people to social services and supports

Value of CIE:

- "Closed loop" referral and social needs screening
- Connect to cultural/linguistic specific services
- Coordinate more easily across organizations
- Use data to inform policy; identify gaps in services

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HITOC Recruitment and Proposed Member Slate
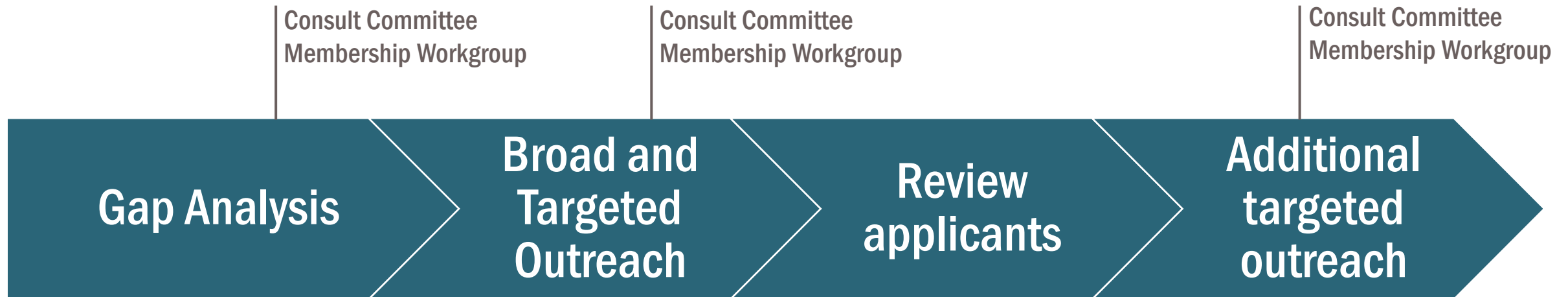
Context: OHPB Committee Membership work

Focus on improving OHPB committee recruitment and retention

- July 13: informational OHPB webinar
- August OHPB meeting: findings/recommendations

HITOC recruitment in this context

- Urgent need to fill vacancies given work ahead
- Onset of structural changes
- Slate leaves seats open for additional recruitment needed

Recruitment Process Overview

Consult Committee
Membership Workgroup

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Gap Analysis → **Broad and Targeted Outreach** → **Review applicants** → **Additional targeted outreach**

- Statute and charter
- 2021 priorities
- Health IT Strategic Plan
- OEI Gap Analysis

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Gap analysis: Needed Areas of Representation

Whole-person care
- Physical health
- Behavioral health
- Dental health
- Long-term care

Health care perspectives
- Providers
- Hospitals
- Health plans, CCOs
- EHRs/HIT tools

Privacy & security

Health care delivery

Consumers or advocates

Health information technology

Health informatics

Geographic diversity & Populations experiencing inequity

Demographic Represent-ation

HITOC Priorities
- SDOH
- Public Health

Quality improvement

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HITOC Membership Gaps

Oral health

Behavioral health

Social determinants of health and health equity
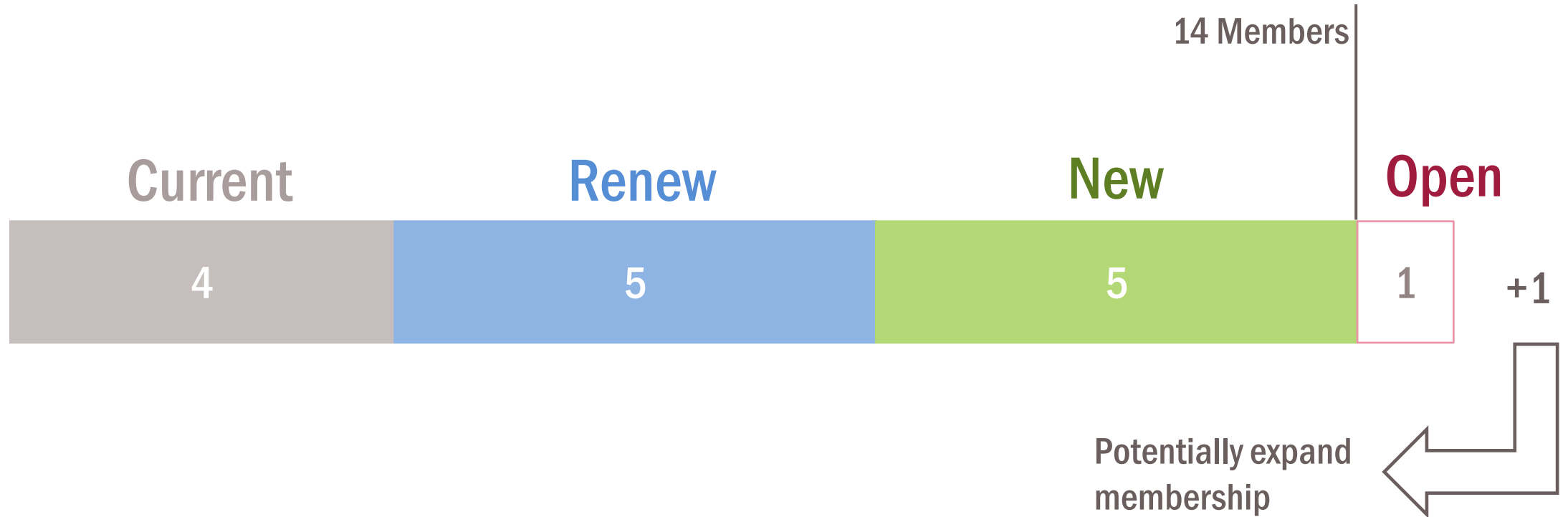
Rural health

Public Health

Academic perspective

Representation from Latino/a/x and Black communities

Outreach Highlights

- Over **25,000** mass general mailing recipients
- Over **750** community organizations
  - Over 300 through Community Partner Outreach Program (CPOP)
  - Over 170 through Community Engagement Team (COVID Grantees)
  - ~300 through the 6 Regional Health Equity Coalitions
  - 12 direct outreach
- Over **25** individuals
  - 1.1 recruitment of 12 priority candidates

HITOC Member Seats

14 Members

Current	Renew	New	Open
4	5	5	1

+1

Potentially expand membership

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Draft Slate: New Members

	Name	Title	Organization	Location
	Manu Chaudhry	President & Dental Director	Capitol Dental Care	Willamette Valley
	David Dorr	Chief Research Information Officer	Oregon Health & Science University	Portland Metro
	Carly Hood-Ronick	Executive Director	Project Access Now	Portland Metro
	Abdisalan Muse	Informatics Project Manager	Multnomah County Health Department	Portland Metro
	Diane Tschauner	Chief Information Officer	Yakima Valley Farmworkers	Other

see accompanying documents for bios and renewing and current members

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Opportunities and Next Steps

Continue recruitment – fill remaining gaps by end of the year

Behavioral health

Representation from Latino/a/x and/or
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander communities

Leverage OHPB's Committee Membership recommendations

Centralization and systematization of recruitment processes

OHPB Discussion and Action

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