

# Task Force on Resolution of Adverse Healthcare Incidents Seeks New Members

The Task Force on Resolution of Adverse Healthcare Incidents (“Task Force”) and the Office of Governor Kate Brown have an exciting opportunity for you to get involved in your state government, and to help ensure that Oregonians have a way to resolve matters when medical care does not go as planned. We are committed to ensuring that the Task Force represents the growing age, racial, and gender diversity of the state. This is a unique opportunity to pool our collective viewpoints, visions, and hopes for Oregon.

The Task Force welcomes all qualified candidates to apply for [open positions](#).

## Membership

The Task Force consists of 14 volunteer members, including a patient safety advocate, a hospital industry representative, physicians, trial lawyers, public members, and legislators. Oregon Laws 2013, Chapter 5 specifies membership as follows:

- 10 voting members fill seats specified in the law and are appointed by the Governor
- Four non-voting members of the Legislative Assembly serve in an advisory capacity and are appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House

Appointments are to a four-year term and may be reappointed for a second term. All appointees serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

The Task Force meets **quarterly** on the second Wednesday of March, June, September, and December for one to three hours. The Task Force serves as an evaluative body for Oregon’s Early Discussion and Resolution (EDR) process (Oregon Laws 2013, Chapter 5). EDR helps connect patients who experience harm (or a family member) and their healthcare provider so that they can speak candidly about the harm that occurred, work toward reconciliation, and contribute to safeguarding others from similar harm.

## How to Apply

The Oregon Patient Safety Commission (OPSC) administers EDR, provides staff support to the Task Force, and coordinates with the Governor’s office to fill vacant Task Force seats (see all [open positions](#)). **Before applying**, please contact Stephanie Warren, OPSC Program Assistant, at [info@oregonpatientsafety.org](mailto:info@oregonpatientsafety.org).

More information about how to apply for a Governor-appointed Board or Commission is outlined on the Oregon.gov [How to Apply webpage](#).

## Learn More

More information about Oregon’s EDR process and OPSC is available at [oregonpatientsafety.org](http://oregonpatientsafety.org).