Olympic Community of Health
Policy for new members
Approved by the Governance Subcommittee May 19, 2016
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Policy to fill vacant seats and refill seats in the event a) term limit is reached, b) member retires or c) member no longer can represent his/her sector

Nominations to the Board of Directors (Board) are to be made when a new sector seat is identified, a member’s term limit is nearing, a member retires, or a member changes employment into a new sector. Sector nominations will be confirmed at Board meetings.

Nomination to the Board is to be made among and by peers within the sector for whom the individual serves as the representative. Sectors are to be inclusive of their peers within the tri-county region in making the selection for representation, and to inform their representative by meeting regularly and independently of the OCH. Representatives are expected to communicate on behalf of and represent the sector as a whole and to ensure a system for regular communication and feedback within their sector and as a responsibility of their Board participation. Each sector will constitute one “vote” in decision making.

In the event a brand new sector is offered a seat on the Board for which there has been little engagement, staff will assist in facilitating the nomination process.

In the event that partners within a sector cannot agree on their sector representative, or are unable to do the due diligence to caucus with other members within their sector to select a representative, an ad hoc Nominating Committee of at least three Board members will receive and vet nominations and recommend a sector representative to the Board.

Tribes are governments, not sectors, therefore each Tribe is allotted one vote may appoint alternate representatives as desired. The Board does not have authority to confirm or deny Tribal appointments.

This policy shall be renewed annually from 2016-2018, and then bi-annually thereafter.

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