

STATE OF WASHINGTON HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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To: Exceptional Health Care Professionals

Subject: Recruiting Health Technology Clinical Committee Members

The Washington State Health Care Authority is seeking a candidate for membership on the Health Technology Clinical Committee (HTCC). The first review of applications is scheduled for **January 7, 2020**; recruitment will continue until position is filled.

To apply:

Submit the following documents to: shtap@hca.wa.gov:

- 1. Your current curriculum vitae/resume,
- 2. A completed application and conflict of interest disclosure.

Background

The HTCC is an independent committee of eleven practicing health care providers responsible for making coverage decisions for Washington State's largest public health care programs (Uniform Medical Plan, Apple Health (Medicaid), Department of Labor and Industries, Department of Corrections).

The committee meets approximately five times a year to publicly review evidence-based assessments regarding the safety, efficacy and cost-effectiveness of selected health technologies. Using a structured evaluation process, members assess information presented by independent technology assessment organizations, representatives of state agencies and the public before reaching a coverage determination.

HTCC members are appointed to three-year terms by the Director of the Health Care Authority. Members may be re-appointed for two additional terms.

Compensation includes an hourly fee and reimbursement for travel expenses.

Legislation authorizing the HTCC also provides personal indemnification related to participation on the committee.

Requirements for committee membership:

- Active practitioner, licensed in Washington State;
- Knowledge of evidence-based medicine, including experience, training or education focused on fields relevant to evidence-based medicine. (Examples include: clinical epidemiology, health economics, health services research, public health, biostatistics, medical quality management, public health system planning and evaluation, cost-effectiveness analysis, decision sciences, clinical effectiveness, health informatics, biometrics or outcomes research);
- Uses health technology in scope of medical practice; and
- No substantial financial conflicts of interest (such as, interest in a health technology company, holding stock options, receipt of honoraria, or consultant fees).

HCA seeks a diversity of practitioner types and specialties among HTCC members, including but not limited to:

Diagnostic services – Radiology, pathology;

Primary care services – Family practice, nurse practitioner, internal medicine, pediatrics, naturopathy, obstetrics/gynecology, emergency medicine;

Surgical services – Orthopedics, neurosurgery, cardiology, anesthesiology, obstetrics/ gynecology, podiatry, dentistry;

Rehabilitative services – Rehabilitation medicine, chiropractic, prosthetics and orthotics, physical, occupational, or rehabilitative therapy;

Integrative – Mental health, dental, chiropractic and complementary/ alternative medicine (e.g. acupuncture, naturopathy, massage therapy)

Questions

More on the HTCC and its important role in the Health Technology Assessment program, can be found on the <u>HTA website</u> or contact <u>HTA Program Specialist</u>, <u>Christine Masters</u>.