



# COMMUNITY HEALTH DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

## PATIENT ADVISORY BOARD FAQ'S



### **What is a Patient Advisory Board?**

A Patient Advisory Board provides their opinion on the care they receive and what services the foundation offers. They are very important in helping best serve communities holistically. They are valuable advocates for the health of their neighbors and surrounding communities.

### **What do Board Members do?**

Advisory boards provide recommendations about the care they receive and what classes and programs CHDF offer for their community. They provide their opinion on what would work best in their area and help our team better understand their community's customs and challenges.

### **How many people serve on a Patient Advisory Board?**

While the size of the Board is not fixed, 6-8 community members typically serve on the Board to ensure we represent everyone's point of view.

### **Who can be a Board member?**

We are looking for anyone from communities or surrounding areas where CHDF has a presence. We are looking for as broad a group as possible to ensure we can understand the needs of the entire community.

### **Is previous training required to serve on a Patient Advisory Board?**

No previous training or special knowledge is required. We are interested in your unique perspectives as members of the community.

### **How long do Patient Advisory Board Members serve?**

Advisory Board Members do not serve for any set term, but we would like participation from individuals with interest in serving long-term. Continuity is key to the success of the board.

### **How do I apply to serve on the Patient Advisory Board?**

Applications will be available on our website, specific to each community we're working in. If you have trouble accessing, reach out to our team directly

### **How do you pick an Advisory Board Member?**

We want to include a diverse group of community members to ensure broad representation of experiences from within a community. We are much more interested in a person's experiences than expertise.

### **Where are Patient Advisory Board meetings held?**

We will hold monthly meeting virtually, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home. We will also have several in-person meetings throughout the year, which will be held in the community rooms of each of our facilities.

### **What is the total time commitment required of members?**

We realize that panelists often have full-time jobs and other obligations, so we seek to minimize the time commitment and frequency of meetings. Advisory Board members will spend less than hour a week on Board activities, including the monthly meeting.

### **Will Advisory Board meetings be open to the public?**

Meetings will be private to ensure everyone involved feels comfortable sharing opinions, as they're based on person health experience. Meeting minutes will be recorded for future reference or to relay information as needed.

### **Are Patient Advisory Board members compensated for their time?**

At this time, Patient Advisory Board members will not be compensate for their participation. Community board members do report feelings of satisfaction and accomplishment from knowing they are providing meaningful help to their families and neighbors.

*If you have any questions, or would like to talk more about being a part of a Patient Advisory Board, please email [Info@communityhdf.org](mailto:Info@communityhdf.org).*