

Lawrence Memorial Hospital – Proposed Ambulatory Surgery Center Community Advisory Group

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What is the Community Advisory Group?

The Community Advisory Group is made up of residents, members of the community, MelroseWakefield Healthcare, and Shields Health Care leadership to review and recommend appropriate strategies related to the process of a proposed project. In this circumstance, the Community Advisory Group will review the potential impacts of community concerns such as traffic, safety and neighborhood environment, resulting from the proposed Ambulatory Surgery Center at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital campus.

How were the Community Advisory Group members selected?

The goal of its membership is to have diverse representation of interests, experience and expertise to advise the organizations' leadership on efforts related to concerns and opportunities of the project. With the announcement of plans to create this group, we were pleased to have received a tremendous amount of interest from throughout the city to participate in the Community Advisory Group. We reviewed and spoke with many interested residents in participating to create a group that could work effectively and cooperatively together. This group will be inclusive of the entire City of Medford.

Who is on the Community Advisory Group?

The Community Advisory Group will be comprised of the following:

Community Members (6)

- General residents (2)
- Abutters (2)
 - One of which will be a representative from the Ten Taxpayer Group
- Director of Public Health for the City of Medford
- Resident appointee on behalf of Mayor Stephanie Burke

MelroseWakefield Leadership (5)

- Dr. Robert Weinstein, Lawrence Memorial Hospital Physician
- Henry St. Hillaire, Lawrence Memorial Hospital Facilities & Engineering
- Sam Tarabelsi, Infrastructure & Community Relations
- Ryan Fuller, MelroseWakefield Healthcare
- Sarah Modine, Shields Healthcare Group

How often will the Community Advisory Group meet?

The requirement of membership is the availability to meet once every 3 to 4 weeks to stay informed on the process and provide consistent feedback and input. In addition, members from the Community Advisory Group will attend larger, city-wide community meetings to represent the work of the group and learn further feedback.

What is expected of the Community Advisory Group?

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