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Lincoln Community Health Council Seeks New Volunteer Members

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The Lincoln County Health and Human Services is seeking volunteer members for appointment to the Lincoln Community Health Council - the policy making body for the Lincoln Community Health Center.

The Health Council supports and guides the Lincoln Community Health Center's mission to provide comprehensive health care that is quality-driven, affordable and culturally competent to the people of Lincoln County regardless of ability to pay for the services.

The Lincoln Community Health Center is composed of eight locations that provide a full array of medical services to the citizens of Lincoln County. Services include (but, not limited to):

- Routine medical office visits (chronic or acute health needs)
- Annual physical exams
- Well child visits and immunizations
- Family planning and reproductive health services
- Health education
- Health screenings
- Geriatric care
- Diagnosis, management and care of chronic illnesses
- Mental health services
- Alcohol and drug addictions counseling
- Home visits to pregnant women

Meeting monthly, Health Council members and the Health Center's Director work in a cooperative and collaborative partnership aligned towards the Center's common mission. It's a unique opportunity to have a voice about the care being given in the community's clinic.

A majority of members of the Council (at least 51 percent) must be consumers - individuals who are served by the Health Center. A legal guardian of a patient who is a dependent child or adult, or a legal sponsor of an immigrant, may also be considered a consumer for purposes of board representation. Consumers are strongly encouraged to apply because of their direct experience with the Health Centers, however, non-consumers representing a broad range of skills, expertise, and perspectives are also welcome.

Members are eligible for a stipend to cover transportation costs.

For more information about the Health Council or for a meeting schedule please call:

Valerie Edmunds, Administrative Assistant: 541.265.0464

Applications are available from clinic staff or online at:

http://www.co.lincoln.or.us/sites/default/files/fileattachments/health_amp_human_services/page/4245/lchc-health-council.pdf

Please return your applications to Valerie Edmunds: VEdmunds@co.lincoln.or.us

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