



King County

1200 King County
Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Agenda Board of Health

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Dr. Faisal Khan, Director, Seattle-King County Department of Public Health
Staff: *Joy Carpine-Cazzanti, Board Administrator - KCBOHAdmin@kingcounty.gov*

1:00 PM

Thursday, November 20, 2025

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Announcement of Any Alternates Serving in Place of Regular Members**
4. **Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2025** **pg 4**
5. **Public Comments**
6. **Chair's Report**
7. **Director's Report** **pg 10**

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Discussion and Possible Action

8. R&R No. BOH25-03 **pg 14**

A RULE AND REGULATION relating to the membership of the King County Board of Health; amending R&R 1, Amendment Section 2, as amended, and BOH 2.04.020 and R&R 09-04, Section 8, as amended, and BOH 2.04.165 and prescribing an effective date.

Olivia Brey, Legislative Analyst, King County Council

Public Hearing Required

Briefings

9. BOH Briefing No. 25-B35 **pg 28**

2026 Legislative Priorities

Simon Vila, Government Relations Officer, Public Health – Seattle & King County

Jessica Jeavons, Director of Policy and Strategy, Public Health – Seattle & King County

Mac Nicholson, Government Relations Director, King County Council

10. BOH Briefing No. 25-B36 **pg 34**

Preparing the 2026 Board of Health Workplan

Joy Carpine-Cazzanti, King County Board of Health Administrator, Public Health -- Seattle & King County

11. **Board Member Updates**

12. **Other Business**

Adjournment

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 13 - Archiopoli, Barón, Chew, Daniels, de Castro, Dunn, Kettle, Lam, Loo, Mohammed, Mosqueda, Nelson and de Michele

Excused: 4 - Gudge, Hollingsworth, Rakes and Williams

3. Announcement of Any Alternates Serving in Place of Regular Members

Boardmember de Michele served in place of Boardmember Rakes.

Boardmember Milinganyo was also in attendance.

4. Approval of Minutes of September 18, 2025

Boardmember Daniels moved to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2025, meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.

5. Public Comments

*The following person spoke:
Alex Tsimerman*

6. Chair's Report

Chair Mosqueda briefed the Board on the upcoming agenda.

7. Director's Report

Dr. Faisal Khan, Director, Public Health - Seattle & King County, reported that the Environmental Health Services Division (EHS) will launch a new permitting system on October 29, 2025; announced there is a contingency plan for Women, Infants, and Children benefits if the federal shutdown persists; and introduced Dr. Sandra Valenciano, Public Health Officer. Dr. Sandra Valenciano made remarks and thanked the Board.

Briefing**8. BOH Briefing No. 25-B31**

King County 2026-27 Budget Update

Dwight Dively, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, briefed the Board and answered questions.

This matter was Presented

Discussion and Possible Action**9. Resolution No. 25-05**

A RESOLUTION identifying Quiana Daniels for reappointment as the King County Board of Health's selected nonelected member candidate representing consumers of public health for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Joy Carpine-Cazzanti, Board of Health Administrator, briefed the Board and answered questions.

Boardmember Daniels made remarks and thanked the Board.

A motion was made by Boardmember Lam that this Resolution be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Archiopoli, Barón, Chew, Daniels, de Castro, Lam, Loo, Mohammed, Mosqueda and de Michele

Excused: 7 - Dunn, Gudgel, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rakes and Williams

10. Resolution No. 25-06

A RESOLUTION identifying Victor Loo for reappointment as the King County Board of Health's selected nonelected member candidate representing community stakeholders for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Joy Carpine-Cazzanti briefed the Board and answered questions.

Boardmember Loo made remarks and thanked the Board.

A motion was made by Boardmember Daniels that this Resolution be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Archiopoli, Barón, Chew, Daniels, de Castro, Lam, Loo, Mohammed, Mosqueda and de Michele

Excused: 7 - Dunn, Gudgel, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rakes and Williams

11. Resolution No. 25-07

A RESOLUTION identifying Karen Hartfield as the King County Board of Health's nonelected alternate member candidate to represent public health, health care facilities and providers for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2028.

Joy Carpine-Cazzanti briefed the Board and answered questions.

Karen Hartfield made remarks and thanked the Board.

A motion was made by Boardmember Daniels that this Resolution be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Archiopoli, Barón, Chew, Daniels, de Castro, Lam, Loo, Mohammed, Mosqueda and de Michele

Excused: 7 - Dunn, Gudgel, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rakes and Williams

12. Resolution No. 25-08

A RESOLUTION advancing the Board of Health's commitment to actively supporting immigrant and refugee health access and requesting exploration of King County sponsorship towards that commitment.

Lee Che Leong, Senior Policy Advocate, Northwest Health Law Advocates, briefed the Board and answered questions.

A motion was made by Boardmember Lam that this Resolution be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Archiopoli, Barón, Chew, Daniels, de Castro, Lam, Loo, Mohammed, Mosqueda and de Michele

Excused: 7 - Dunn, Gudgel, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Nelson, Rakes and Williams

Briefings

13. BOH Briefing No. 25-B32

School Environmental Health & Safety: Draft Washington State Board of Health Rule & Public Health - Seattle & King County Program

Ryan Kellogg, Assistant Division Director, Environmental Health, briefed the Board and answered questions.

Sinang Lee, School Environmental Health Program Manager, briefed the Board and answered questions.

Patty Hayes, Chair, State Board of Health, and former director of Public Health – Seattle & King County, briefed the Board and answered questions.

This matter was Presented

14. BOH Briefing No. 25-B33

King County 2025-2030 Community Health Improvement Plan Update

Boardmember Loo, briefed the Board and answered questions.

Pastor Derek Lane, Member, Public Health Equity and Anti-Racism Community Advisory Group, briefed the Board and answered questions.

Adrienne Webb, Executive Director, Community Health Investment - North Division, Providence, briefed the Board and answered questions.

Matias Valezuela, Director, Office of Equity and Community Partnerships, briefed the Board and answered questions.

This matter was Presented

15. BOH Briefing No. 25-B34

King County Board of Health Membership Composition

Olivia Brey, Council Staff, briefed the Board and answered questions.

This matter was Presented

16. Board Member Updates

No updates were given.

17. Other Business

No other business was presented.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

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Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature



King County
King County Board of Health
Director's Report

Date: November 20, 2025

Prepared by: Dr. Faisal Khan, Director, Public Health – Seattle & King County

Stay current on Public Health trends and news:

I invite King County Board of Health Members and Alternates to stay updated on important news, local health trends and funding opportunities through Public Health – Seattle & King County's blog and online dashboards:

The Public Health Insider blog:

[PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER – Official insights from Public Health - Seattle & King County staff](#)

Data dashboards:

- [Public Health data - King County, Washington](#) – Explore population-level health outcomes, communicable disease data and more
- [Data dashboard: The impact of firearms in King County - King County, Washington](#)
- [Overdose data dashboards - King County, Washington](#)
- [Medical Examiner's Office data](#)
- [Climate Impacts on Health - King County, Washington](#)

Funding opportunities – RFPs, RFQs, RFAs and others:

[Funding opportunities - King County, Washington](#)

New permitting system to launch this year

The Environmental Health Services Division (EHS) will launch a new permitting system, called the Public Health Permit Center, by the end of the year. EHS plans to announce the official launch date for the new system soon. Temporary delays in EHS services are anticipated during the transition period.

EHS is communicating about this transition to customers and partners through various channels, including newsletters, direct emails, meetings, and webpage materials to make sure people are aware of this change and what it means for them.

Business owners and community members in King County will use the new Public Health Permit Center for permits, plan reviews, inspections, and more for food businesses, water recreation facilities, pet businesses, solid waste facilities, plumbing and gas piping, on-site sewage systems, and schools. Community members will also use the new system to submit complaints and inquiries about rodents and other environmental conditions.

Learn more online: [Public Health Permit Center - King County, Washington](#)

New webpage about unpermitted mobile food vendors

In November, Public Health published a new webpage about unpermitted food vendors. There's been a large increase in unpermitted food trucks, carts, and stands operating in King County and across the country. Unpermitted food businesses operate without a food permit from Public Health. Eating food from these vendors could make you sick. Unpermitted food vendors do not handle food safely, and they unfairly compete with the permitted food vendors who work to follow the rules and safely serve food.

Learn more how to recognize unpermitted vendors, what you can do, and what Public Health is doing to address the issue: [Unpermitted food businesses - King County, Washington](#)

Community AED Grants

The Medic One Foundation offers a limited number of grants for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) to be placed in public areas such as local government facilities, community centers, playfields, parks, and law enforcement vehicles within King and Snohomish counties in Washington State. Priority will be given and grants awarded based upon demonstrated financial need, population served, location, and potential impact.

Learn more online: [Community AED Grants - Medic One Foundation](#)

SNAP Disruptions Expected to Drive Demand at King County Food Pantries

As November unfolds, many families in King County may face an unexpected challenge: a lapse in SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) payments due to the government shutdown. This disruption directly impacts food security for over 200,000 people in King County who receive SNAP assistance, with over 30% of them children. As a result, neighborhood food pantries and meal programs across the region are expected to see a surge in demand.

King County is home to more than 50 neighborhood food pantries and 50 meal programs. These vital services are designed to meet different needs:

- Food pantries are set up like grocery stores, allowing shoppers to choose the items they need most.
- Meal programs offer hot, prepared meals in a restaurant-style setting.

If you're unsure where to go, [find food pantries near your address](#) or look at [a map with locations](#) in Washington.

Learn more online: [SNAP Disruptions Expected to Drive Demand at King County Food Pantries – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)

Washington State Department of Health secures USDA funding to maintain WIC benefits through mid-to-late November

On October 23, the Washington State Department of Health announced it received funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), allowing the state to continue to provide food benefits for the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Nutritional Program through mid-late November.

Learn more online: [Washington State Department of Health secures USDA funding to maintain WIC benefits through mid-to-late November | Washington State Department of Health](#)

Healthcare organizations update masking guidelines for 2025-26 respiratory illness season

Healthcare systems in Puget Sound updated their guidelines for masking in hospitals and outpatient clinics during respiratory illness season. This year's thresholds will consider the overall burden of respiratory illnesses that include COVID-19, influenza, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) as well as other respiratory illness infections. Masking reduces the spread of disease, protects vulnerable patients and healthcare workers, and helps ensure healthcare facilities maintain capacity to serve our communities.

Learn more online: [Healthcare organizations update masking guidelines for 2025-26 respiratory illness season – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)

Mpox cases on the rise in King County

Cases of mpox (formerly known as “monkeypox”) are on the rise in the Puget Sound region, including here in King County. Public Health is encouraging those who are eligible to get the two-shot mpox vaccine series.

In September of this year, 45 new cases of mpox were reported in King County residents. This is the highest number of cases in a month since the initial mpox outbreak in King County in 2022. Increases in the number of mpox cases have also been reported in Chicago, San Francisco and New York. While this number of cases is much lower than what we saw in 2022, when as many as 200 new cases of mpox were reported within one month in King County, the uptick highlights the need for those at risk to get vaccinated against mpox.

The majority of mpox cases in King County are associated with sexual and intimate contact among gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men, transgender people, and non-binary people. You can learn more about the demographics of those most impacted on our [mpox data dashboard](#).

Learn more online: [Mpox cases on the rise in King County – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)

New measles case in King County resident with link to previous case

Public Health – Seattle & King County was notified of a confirmed measles case in a King County adult. The individual was on the same flight as a person with a confirmed case of measles that Public Health [previously announced](#) on October, 17, 2025. We believe this latest case was exposed to

measles on this flight. This latest case was at Toyota of Renton, Valley Medical Center, YangGuoFu Malatang Restaurant and Disney on Ice at ShoWare Center during their infectious period.

This is the 12th measles case in Washington state residents this year, along with several other cases that Public Health has responded to in travelers who visited King County.

Learn more online: [New measles case in King County resident with link to previous case – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)

How to get the COVID vaccine in King County

Getting a COVID shot this fall might look a little different from state to state, but here in Washington, it's pretty simple: all people ages 6 months and up can get the updated (2025-26) COVID vaccine.

Learn more online: [How to get the COVID vaccine in King County – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)



Signature Report

R&R

Proposed No. BOH25-03.1

Sponsors

1 A RULE AND REGULATION relating to the membership
2 of the King County Board of Health; amending R&R 1,
3 Amendment Section 2, as amended, and BOH 2.04.020 and
4 R&R 09-04, Section 8, as amended, and BOH 2.04.165 and
5 prescribing an effective date.

6 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

7 1. Created in 2004 in accordance with state law, the King County Board
8 of Health sets countywide public health policy, enacts and enforces local
9 public health regulations and carries out the duties of local boards of
10 health as specified in RCW 70.05.060 including preventing and
11 controlling the spread of infectious disease, abating nuisances and
12 establishing fee schedules for licenses and permits.
13 2. In May 2025, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1946 was signed
14 into law as Chapter 260, Laws of Washington 2025, clarifying tribal
15 membership on local boards of health. Chapter 260, Laws of Washington
16 2025 requires that the membership of the King County Board of Health be
17 modified to include a tribal representative from any federally recognized
18 tribe whose reservation or trust lands are within the county; and any urban
19 Indian organization recognized by the Indian health service, registered as a
20 501(c)(3) organization in Washington that serves American Indian and

21 Alaska Native people, and is providing services within the county. Those
22 changes to state law go into effect on July 27, 2026.

23 3. Additionally, Chapter 260, Laws of Washington 2025 requires the
24 Washington state Board of Health to clarify its local board of health
25 composition rules and timelines for including tribal representation on local
26 boards of health in chapter 246-90 WAC. The new rules are expected to
27 be effective by July 27, 2026.

28 4. The King County Board of Health administrator reached out to the
29 eligible tribes and 501(c)(3) organization including the Snoqualmie Tribe,
30 the Muckleshoot Tribe, and the Seattle Indian Health Board, on August
31 11, 2025, in order to create the new board positions for tribal members to
32 begin their terms on January 1, 2026, to provide an opportunity for the
33 new members to join the board before the effective date of Chapter 260,
34 Laws of Washington 2025.

35 5. On October X, 2025, the King County council adopted Ordinance
36 XXXXX (Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284) to amend King County Code
37 and conform the membership of the board to the new state law as
38 described in subsections 2 and 3 of this statement of facts.

39 BE IT ADOPTED BY THE KING COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH:

40 SECTION 1. R&R 1, Amendment Section 2, as amended, and BOH 2.04.020 are
41 hereby amended to read as follows:

42 A. Consistent with K.C.C. 2.35.021, the Board of Health shall have a total of
43 ~~((sixteen))~~ twenty members. All ~~((sixteen))~~ twenty members shall be equal voting

44 members except on matters related to the setting or modification of permit, licensing and
45 application fees. Any decision related to the setting or modification of permit, licensing
46 and application fees may only be determined by the city and county elected officials on
47 the board in accordance with RCW 70.05.035.

48 B. Consistent with K.C.C. 2.35.021A. 1. through 3., the Board of Health shall
49 consist of the following members:

50 1. ~~((Three))~~ Four regular and one alternate member shall be members of the
51 metropolitan King County council who are appointed by the chair of the council.

52 2. Three regular and one alternate member shall be elected officials of the city
53 of Seattle who shall be appointed by the city;

54 3. ~~((Two))~~ Three regular and ~~((two))~~ three alternate members shall be elected
55 officials from cities and towns of King County other than the city of Seattle to be
56 appointed in a manner agreed to by and among the cities and towns representing a
57 majority of the populations of those cities and towns; and

58 4.a. ~~((Eight))~~ Ten regular and ~~((four))~~ six alternate members shall be nonelected
59 members, ~~((one of these regular members and one alternate member shall be tribal~~
60 ~~representative))~~ as described in RCW 70.05.035(1)~~((e))~~ and K.C.C. 2.35.021.

61 b. Included among the nonelected board members shall be a representative
62 from each tribe or 501(c)(3) organization meeting the qualifications of RCW
63 70.05.035(1)(e). Each representative shall have one alternate.

64 c. The remaining regular and alternate members shall be selected in
65 accordance with the categories enumerated in RCW 70.050.035(1)(a).

66 C.1. All regular and alternate nonelected board members identified in BOH
67 2.04.020.B.4.c. shall be recruited in accordance with RCW 70.05.035, chapter 246-90
68 WAC and K. C. C. 2.35.021 and all shall be appointed by a majority of the King County
69 council from those selected by the Board of Health.

70 2. The regular and alternate tribal representatives identified in BOH
71 2.04.020.B.4.b. shall be selected by ~~((the American Indian Health Commission of~~
72 ~~Washington State, and the remaining nonelected members shall be selected by the Board~~
73 ~~of Health))~~ each tribe and each qualifying 501(c)(3) organization.

74 ~~((2.))~~ 3. Each of the three categories of nonelected members enumerated in
75 RCW 70.05.035(1)(a) shall have one alternate each. An alternate shall only serve in
76 place of a regular member from that category in the event of that regular member's
77 absence.

78 ~~D.((1.))~~ During a meeting, an alternate member shall indicate to the clerk when
79 the alternate member is serving in a regular member's absence and the clerk shall note the
80 alternate member's attendance in the proceedings and include the alternate member in any
81 roll call. When serving in a regular member's absence, an alternate member shall act as a
82 regular member.

83 ~~((2.))~~ E.1. The board shall pass a resolution identifying the board's regular and
84 alternate nonelected member candidate selections ~~((and the American Indian Health~~
85 ~~Commission's regular and alternate tribal representative selections))~~ identified in
86 subsection B.4.c. of this section to be transmitted with the materials identified in K.C.C.
87 chapter 2.35 for appointment.

88 2. Within thirty days of receiving information from each tribe or qualifying
89 501(c)(3) organization that selects a regular and alternative nonelected member under
90 subsection C.2. of this section, the board should electronically file the information with
91 the clerk, who shall retain a copy and provide an electronic copy to the councilmembers
92 who are members of the Board of Health, in accordance with K.C.C. 2.35.024. The
93 Board of Health must notify the American Indian Health Commission, in accordance
94 with RCW 70.05.035.1.e., of the selections.

95 F.1. Consistent with K.C.C. 2.35.061, a boardmember((s)) may be reimbursed for
96 mileage and parking expenses between the member's workplace or residence and the
97 location of the ((b))Board of ((h))Health meeting. Members may also be reimbursed for
98 expenses, in accordance with the policies established for county employees in K.C.C.
99 chapter 3.24, when traveling on official ((b))Board of ((h))Health business.

100 ((F.1)) 2. Nonelected members who are not being compensated for their
101 participation on the board through their employer shall be compensated in accordance
102 with K.C.C. 2.35.031.

103 ((2.)) 3. Administrative processes to distribute the compensation described in
104 this section shall be determined by executive staff.

105 G. Nonelected regular and alternate member terms shall be structured in
106 accordance with K.C.C. 2.35.026.

107 SECTION 2. R&R 09-04, Section 8, as amended, and BOH 2.04.165 are hereby
108 amended to read as follows:

109 A.1. (~~Nine~~) Eleven boardmembers shall constitute a quorum for board meetings
110 except as provided in subsection F. of this (~~rule~~) section. A quorum is presumed to
111 exist unless a member calls the quorum into question.

112 2. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to waive or negate the
113 requirements prescribed under subsections B., C., D., E., and F. of this section.

114 B.1. An affirmative vote of (~~nine~~) eleven members is required to adopt, amend
115 or repeal a rule and regulation except as provided in subsection F. of this section.
116 However, any repeal or amendment of an existing rule and regulation that was effective
117 before January 1, 1996, that applies outside of the limits of the city of Seattle shall be
118 adopted only by an affirmative vote of (~~nine~~) eleven members as well as an affirmative
119 vote collectively of a majority of the represented votes of King County councilmembers
120 and the suburban city members except as provided in subsection F. of this section.

121 2. Any amendment or repeal of an existing rule or regulation adopted by the
122 board of health of the city of Seattle and effective before January 1, 1996, shall be
123 adopted only by an affirmative vote of (~~nine~~) eleven members as well as an affirmative
124 vote of a majority of the members appointed by the city of Seattle except as provided in
125 subsection F. of this section.

126 C. An affirmative vote (~~nine~~) eleven of members is required to adopt, amend or
127 repeal, guidelines and recommendations, resolutions or motions except as provided in
128 subsection F. of this section.

129 D. A roll call vote shall be taken on final passage of any rule and regulation,
130 guideline and recommendation and resolutions.

131 E. There will be no voting by proxy on any question before the board.

132 F. In accordance with RCW 70.05.035, any decision by the board related to the
133 setting or modification of permit, licensing and application fees may only be determined
134 by the city and county elected officials on the board described in BOH 2.04.020.B. As
135 such, a quorum for meetings solely to decide any matter related to the fees described in
136 this subsection shall be five of the members described in BOH 2.04.020.B. An
137 affirmative vote of five members described in BOH 2.04.020.B. is required to adopt,
138 amend or repeal legislation related to the fees described in BOH 2.04.020.A.

139 G.1. Members may participate in meetings of the full board in person, by
140 telephone or by video conferencing.

141 2. Members who participate in meetings of the full board by telephone or video
142 conferencing in accordance with subsection G.1. of this section shall be counted toward
143 the quorum and shall retain their voting authority.

144 3. The clerk of the board, in consultation with the chair, shall establish
145 authentication and operating procedures pertaining to appearance by telephone or video
146 conferencing under subsection G.1. of this section, which must comply with all state and
147 county laws regarding open public meetings.

148 SECTION 3. This rule takes effect January 1, 2026.

149 SECTION 4. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to

- 150 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the
151 application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

KING COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Teresa Mosqueda, Chair

ATTEST:

Melani Hay, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: None



King County

King County Board of Health

Staff Report

Agenda item No: 8

Date: November 20, 2025

Rule & Regulation No.: BOH25-03

Prepared by: Olivia Brey

Subject

Proposed Rule and Regulation BOH25-03 would align the membership of the King County Board of Health with state law amended by Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1946 in 2025 and King County Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284.

Summary

In 2025, RCW 70.05.035 governing the composition of local boards of health in home rule charter counties was amended to require local boards to allow a tribal representative from any federally recognized tribe whose reservation or trust lands are within the county, and any Urban Indian Organization recognized by the Indian Health Service, registered as a 501(c)(3) organization in Washington that serves American Indian and Alaska Native people, and is providing services within the county. The Washington State Board of Health has initiated the rulemaking process and the rule is expected to be effective July 27, 2026.

Proposed Rule and Regulation (R&R) BOH 25-03 would update the membership of the King County Board of Health in response to the state law and King County Code changes to convert the existing tribal representative, American Indian Health Commission (AIHC) of Washington to a representative from the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe,¹ and add a representative from the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe² and a representative from the Seattle Indian Health Board (SIHB). The net effect of these changes is an increase of nonelected³ membership of the Board by two members. To fulfill the state law requirement that the number of elected members equals the number of nonelected members,⁴ the proposed R&R also adds an additional King County councilmember and one position representing cities other than Seattle for a total of twenty members of the King County Board of Health.

¹ Snoqualmie Indian Tribe, <https://snoqualmietribe.us/>

² Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, <https://www.muckleshoot.nsn.us/>

³ WAC 246-90-010 defines elected members as those representing a city or county. "Nonelected" members include tribal representatives that are elected to tribal council positions.

⁴ RCW 70.05.035

A striking amendment has been prepared to include in the Statement of Facts information regarding the eligibility and preference of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians and the proposed date of adoption of related King County Council legislation.

Background

Current Board Composition

In 2021, the Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1152⁵ (HB 1152), which, among other things, increased the number of nonelected members⁶ on local boards of health across Washington. State law also requires that there must be an equal number of elected members to nonelected members as defined in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a).⁷

In 2022, the King County Council passed Ordinance 19418⁸ which expanded the board to include the positions in right column of Table 1. Subsequently, the King County Board of Health passed R&R 22-02⁹ to align with state law and King County Code.

Table 1. Current Membership of the King County Board of Health

	Elected Members	Nonelected Members
Primary Members	(1) King County	AIHC Selection
	(2) King County	(1) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a) ¹⁰
	(3) King County	(2) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	(1) City of Seattle	(3) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	(2) City of Seattle	(4) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	(3) City of Seattle	(5) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	(1) Sound City Association (SCA) ¹¹	(6) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	(2) SCA	(7) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
Alternate Members	King County Alternate	Nonelected Alternate
	City of Seattle Alternate	Nonelected Alternate
	SCA Alternate	Nonelected Alternate
	SCA Alternate	AIHC Selection alternate

⁵ HB 1152 (2021) <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=1152&Year=2021&Initiative=false>

⁶ WAC 246-90-010 defines elected members as those representing a city or county. "Nonelected" members include tribal representatives that are elected to tribal council positions.

⁷ RCW 70.05.035 <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70.05.035>

⁸ [King County – File #:2022-0103](#)

⁹ [King County – File#: BOH22-02](#)

¹⁰ RCW 70.05.035(1)(a) requires the board members to include (1) persons who are practicing in public health, health care facilities, or as providers; (2) consumers of public health; and (3) other community stakeholders.

¹¹ The Sound Cities Association (SCA) designates elected officials from cities and towns of King County other than the city of Seattle

Changes to Tribal Membership

In 2025, the Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1946¹² (HB 1946), which amended tribal membership on local boards of health. State law now requires the local board of health to allow a tribal representative from any federally recognized tribe whose reservation or trust lands are within the county, and any Urban Indian Organization recognized by the Indian Health Service, registered as a 501(c)(3) organization in Washington that serves American Indian and Alaska Native people, and is providing services within the county.

Washington State Board of Health Rules

The Washington State Board of Health (State Board) filed a CR-101, Preproposal Statement of Inquiry, for chapter 246-90 WAC on September 10, 2025, to implement HB 1946.¹³ Based on their estimated rulemaking timeline, the State Board indicates that this rule will be effective July 27, 2026. Council staff verified with State Board representatives that because HB 1946 does not contemplate fee lands owned by Tribes, the State Board rules will not address fee lands.

King County Council Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284

Under state law, tribal membership on the King County Board of Health includes the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, and SIHB.^{14,15} State law requires that the tribal representatives be selected by the tribe or organization.

The effective date of HB 1946 is July 27, 2026, however, the Board operates on a January to December period, so the Board Administrator contacted the tribes and the SIHB to determine their interest in seating members on the board starting in January 2026. The Snoqualmie Indian Tribe, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, and SIHB confirmed their interest. The Puyallup Tribe of Indians respectfully declined the board seat for 2026 but requested outreach again in the following year.

Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284 would make changes to the membership of the King County Board of Health to be effective January 1, 2026. To comply with state law and address the interest of the tribes, Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284 would convert the existing tribal representative selected by the AIHC to the Snoqualmie Indian Tribal Position; add a representative from the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe; add a representative from SIHB; and add two elected member positions to equalize the number of member positions between the elected members and nonelected members, as required by state law. Additional details on changes to the membership will be discussed in the Analysis section.

¹² HB 1946 (2025) <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary/?BillNumber=1946&Year=2025&Initiative=false>

¹³ Proposed Rulemaking, chapter 246-90, submitted on September 10, 2025 <https://sboh.wa.gov/rulemaking/agency-rules-and-activity/lboh-tribal-membership>

¹⁴ The Snoqualmie Indian Tribe and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe have reservations within King County. <https://gisenterprise.kingcounty.gov/portal/apps/mapviewer/index.html?layers=d117fced0098498ab7589918875e66eb>

¹⁵ The Puyallup Tribe of Indians has trust lands within King County, based on information received directly from the Puyallup Tribe of Indians

The proposed ordinance was passed out of the Committee of the Whole on October 6, 2025. It is scheduled for discussion and possible action in King County Full Council on November 18, 2025.

Analysis

BOH25-03 would align the membership of the King County Board of Health with state law and King County Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284, effective January 1, 2026. If adopted, the King County Board of Health would have a total of 20 primary members, plus 11 alternates, as shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Proposed Nonelected Membership of the Board of Health
New Positions in Yellow; Converted Positions Bolded

	Elected Members	Nonelected Members
Primary Members	King County (1)	AIHC convert to Snoqualmie Tribe
	King County (2)	Muckleshoot Tribe
	King County (3)	SIHB
	King County (4)	(1) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a) ¹⁶
	City of Seattle (1)	(2) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	City of Seattle (2)	(3) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	City of Seattle (3)	(4) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	Sound City Association (1)	(5) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	Sound City Association (2)	(6) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
	Sound City Association (3)	(7) Category in RCW 70.05.035(1)(a)
Alternate Members	King County Alternate	Nonelected Alternate - public health, health care facilities, and providers
	City of Seattle Alternate	Nonelected Alternate - public health consumers
	SCA Alternate	Nonelected Alternate - community stakeholders
	SCA Alternate	AIHC Selection alternate convert to Snoqualmie Tribe Alternate
	SCA Alternate	Muckleshoot Tribe Alternate
		SIHB Alternate

Tribal Representation

Currently, there is one position on the Board selected by the AIHC. Under the proposed ordinance, this position would become a representative for the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe, and two new positions would be created representing the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe and SIHB. This brings the total nonelected membership to ten.

¹⁶ RCW 70.05.035(1)(a) requires the board members to include (1) persons who are practicing in public health, health care facilities, or as providers; (2) consumers of public health; and (3) other community stakeholders.

The proposed R&R states that the nonelected tribal representatives would not require appointment by the King County Council, in alignment with state law. The terms for the new tribal and SIHB representatives would end upon notice from the respective tribe or SIHB with notification of the name of the new member to be included on the Board.

Elected Representation

In order to equalize membership between elected and nonelected members as required by state law, the changes to tribal membership require the addition of two elected positions. The proposed R&R, in alignment with Proposed Ordinance 2025-0284, would add:

- one additional King County councilmember, for a total of four King County councilmembers, and
- one additional position representing cities other than Seattle, for a total of three members representing cities other than Seattle.

The proposed ordinance would also add one additional alternate for SCA members, bringing the total SCA alternates to three.

Nonelected, Non-Tribal Representation

The proposed R&R would not make changes to the number of nonelected, non-tribal representatives for members or alternates, or their appointment process.

Amendment

An amendment has been drafted that would add language related to the eligibility and preference of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians to the Statement of Facts. It would also update the date of the Full Council's adoption of 2025-0284.

Invited

1. Joy Carpine-Cazzanti, Board Administrator, Public Health – Seattle & King County

Attachments

1. Proposed Rule & Regulation BOH25-03
2. Amendment 1

11/5/2025

Technical Amendment

[O.Brey]

Sponsor: Mosqueda

Proposed No.: BOH25-03

1 **AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED R&R BOH25-03, VERSION 1**

2 On page 2, beginning on line 28, after "4." strike everything through line 35, and insert

3 "The King County Board of Health administrator reached out to the eligible tribes and

4 501(c)(3) organization including the Snoqualmie Tribe, the Muckleshoot Tribe, the

5 Puyallup Tribe, and the Seattle Indian Health Board, in order to create the new board

6 positions for tribal members to begin their terms on January 1, 2026, to provide an

7 opportunity for the new members to join the board before the effective date of Chapter

8 260, Laws of Washington 2025. The Puyallup Tribe, which has trust lands in King

9 County, respectfully declined the offer to seat a representative on the Board of Health in

10 2026 but requested outreach again in 2026.

11 5. On November 18, 2025, the King County council adopted Ordinance"

12 **EFFECT prepared by O. Brey: *The amendment would add language related to the***

13 ***eligibility and preference of the Puyallup Tribe. The amendment would also update the***

14 ***date of the Full Council's adoption of 2025-0284.***



2026 State Session Legislative Priorities

Simon Vila, Government Relations Officer, Public Health –
Seattle & King County

Jessica Jeavons, Director of Policy and Strategy, Public Health
– Seattle & King County

King County Board of Health

November 20, 2025

In Review: 2025 State Session

- **Operating Budget:** \$77.8B Adopted (2025–27)
- **Local Government Revenue:**
 - 1% Levy Lid Limit
 - Dedicated source for King County's public health clinics
- **Funding:**
 - Foundational Public Health Services
 - Street Medicine
 - Naloxone Distribution

Upcoming: 2026 State Session

- **Revenue Forecasts and Agency Requests**
- **King County Priorities:**
 - **Revenue:**
 - 1% Levy Lid Limit
 - Dedicated source for King County's public health clinics
 - **Funding:**
 - Foundational Public Health Services
 - Health Insurance Navigators
 - Medicaid Funding for Community Violence Intervention
 - School Environmental Health & Safety

Issues we're watching this session

- Overdose Prevention ([1574](#))
- Protecting Children Online ([5708](#))
- Microenterprise Home Kitchens ([5605](#))
- Safe Firearm Storage ([1152](#)) and Sensitive Places ([5098](#))
- Cannabis Social Consumption ([1932](#))
- Certificate of Need Issues ([1072](#))
- Parent's Rights ([5181](#))
- Addressing Anti-Camping Ordinances ([1380](#))
- Tobacco Flavor Ban ([2068/5803](#))

Other Policy Issues

- Food Access Forum/Policy Co-Design Project
- Medicaid/Healthcare Access/Immigrant Healthcare Access/Vaccine Access
- Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
 - Income and Employment
 - Homelessness and Health
- Toxics priorities

Questions?

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Preparing the 2026 Board of Health Workplan

Joy Carpine-Cazzanti
Board of Health Administrator
November 20, 2026

Workplan process

- **November and January:** Briefing and Discussion
- **February:** Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution adopting the workplan

Please note:

- The Chair sets the monthly meeting agendas.
- Agenda items may change as needed throughout the year.
- The Board typically meets ten times each year, as the August and December meetings are usually cancelled.

Board Organization in January

- Election of Chair and Vice Chairs
- Discussion and Possible Action:
 - A RESOLUTION designating the order in which the vice chairs of the King County Board of Health may act in the absence of the chair in 2027
- Briefing and Discussion:
 - Board Authority - Roles and Responsibilities

Potential Briefings

- Washington State Legislative Session Updates, Wrap-up after session ends
- King County Regional Office of Gun Violence Prevention
- Overdose Prevention and Response
- King County Community Health Improvement Plan
- PHSKC Environmental Health Solid Waste future rate planning and Organics Management
- 2027 Workplan Discussion
- 2027 Legislative Priorities

Potential Rules & Regulations

- Winter briefing / Spring vote: Proposed BOH Food Code Changes
- Spring briefing / Autumn vote: Proposed Hazardous Waste Management Program Rates
- Spring briefing / Autumn vote: Proposed BOH Pet Business/Zoonotic Code and Rates

Potential Resolutions

- Autumn: Expanding the Marine Recovery Area on Vashon Island

2027 Board Membership

- June: Briefing on 2027 membership and recruitment
- Positions expiring the end of 2026:
 - Two members representing public health facilities and providers
 - One member representing community stakeholders
 - One alternate representing community stakeholders
- Summer: If any members or the alternate don't opt to continue in 2027, Public Health will recruit to fill the position(s).
- Briefings: June, July, September, October
- October: Board will consider resolutions identifying candidates for re/appointment.

Suggestions or questions?

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