

OSBHA Student Health Advocates

At the Oregon School-Based Health Alliance (OSBHA), we believe youth voice is critical for health programming, policy, and advocacy. We have supported youth cohorts since 2011, with the goal of empowering youth to develop an effective voice in health and education systems.

The OSBHA Student Health Advocates are a group of diverse young people in the Portland Metro area, ages 14-22, who promote the value of school-based health across Oregon. This is a leadership opportunity for youth who are interested in becoming a voice not only for their own health, but the health of their peers and community.

Student Health Advocates provide trainings, workshops, and panel presentations on the following topics:

- Youth-friendly health services
- Youth-adult partnership
- Communicating with adult decision makers
- Health promotion & prevention strategies
- ...and more!



Recent Student Health Advocate presentations include:

- **Intro to Youth-Adult Partnership Webinar, Feb 2018, in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority SBHC State Program Office** – Student Health Advocate Youth Coach Haylee Williams co-presented a webinar on building youth-adult partnership within Youth Action Councils.
- **Youth Panel at the Oregon Pediatric Society Annual Conference, April 2018** – Student Health Advocates presented to pediatric providers on how to provide youth-friendly healthcare.
- **Oregon HPV Statewide Summit, May 2018, Salem in partnership with the American Cancer Society** – Student Health Advocates provided a panel presentation called “HPV From a Youth Perspective”, focused on how to effectively communicate with youth about sensitive topics such as HPV risk, and their recommendations for improving uptake of HPV vaccinations.
- **Food For Thought Youth Summit, November 2018, Oregon City in partnership with Clackamas County Public Health** – The cohort led trainings for high school students on building cohesive teams, communicating with adult decision makers, and effective communication campaigns.
- **Consent Convergence, November 2018, Portland in partnership with VOA Home Free** – Student Health Advocates led a workshop for peers called “Stop-Go, You Can Always Say No!” at the 2018 Consent Convergence, a youth-led summit focused on promoting consent culture.

Would you like to work with the OSBHA Student Health Advocates?

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