

## Scholarships Available for the 2026 Forum on Rural Population Health!

The [2026 Forum on Rural Population Health](#) (the Forum) is coming up in May and we want to make sure cost is not a barrier to participation.

ORH has scholarships available to support rural attendees, students, traditional health workers (THWs) and community partners who may not otherwise have the means to attend. Special thank you to the Oregon Health Authority for their support of Forum scholarships this year!

The Forum takes place **May 14–15, 2026 (virtual)** and brings together health care providers, public health leaders, CHWs, THWs, policymakers and community-based organizations from across Oregon to share practical, community-driven strategies to strengthen rural health systems.

### Who should attend?

- Community health workers and other traditional health workers
- Rural hospital and clinic staff
- Public health professionals
- Behavioral health providers
- Coordinated Care Organizations
- Community-based organizations
- Local and state policymakers
- Anyone invested in advancing rural health equity

This year's sessions focus on:

- Community-led advocacy and accountability
- Behavioral health, trauma-informed care and harm reduction
- Workforce development and THW training models
- Integrating health with housing, energy and other social drivers of health, and more!

If you or someone in your network would benefit from attending, we encourage you to apply.

[Apply for a scholarship](#)  
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Help us spread the word—forward this email to a colleague, partner or community leader who should be part of this conversation.

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