



Calling Washington Youth! Apply to join the Youth Advisory Council

Are you between the ages of 13 and 22 and living in Washington? Do you want to help improve public health programs for young people? The Washington State Department of Health is inviting young people like you to apply to join the [Youth Advisory Council](#)!

We encourage all young people to apply - especially those with diverse identities and lived experiences, including youth who:

- Are Black, Indigenous, People of Color, immigrants, and 2SLGBTQIA+
- Have visible or invisible disabilities, or neurodivergent
- Have experienced systems like juvenile justice, child protective services, or foster care
- Live with chronic disease conditions or undergoing treatment
- Live with behavioral or mental health conditions
- Feel left out or are experiencing challenges at school
- Are Apple Health Medicaid insurance recipients
- Face economic or structural barriers
- Have experience with houselessness or unstable housing
- Have challenges using or accessing health care or live in medically underserved areas





What does the YAC do?

Members meet 1-2 times a month to share feedback and ideas on important adolescent health topics, like youth mental health and medical care. They work closely with staff in the Adolescent and Young Adult Health Unit to help shape programs that support teen and young adult health.

Who can apply?

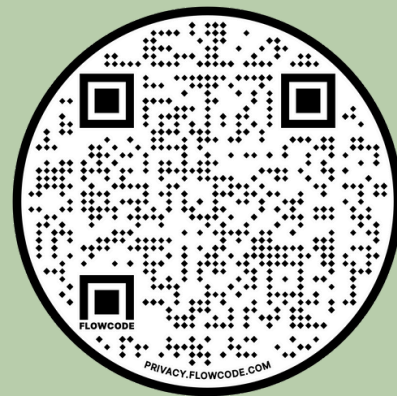
To be eligible to apply, young people must meet the following criteria at the time of their application:

- Age 13-22 and living in Washington
- Have reliable internet access
- Can attend meetings by Zoom, and can use online communications tools like Basecamp and GroupMe
- Have experience with or an interest in improving health care, public health, or other health-related topics.



How to apply?

- Submit an online application by **May 31, 2025!**
- To learn more and apply use the QR code or go to the [YAC Application Page](#).
- If you have questions, email us at adolescenthealthunit@doh.wa.gov



Help us get the word out and share this flyer with youth serving organizations you know and trust.

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