



# Agenda: Equitable Health Care Task Force

Date: 09/24/2025

## **Opening, welcome, 11:00 – 11:15 a.m.**

Overview of meeting agenda and objectives, and review of August meeting summary and public comment.

## **Recommendation and report review and finalization, 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.**

Review and finalize implementation section, recommendations, and report.

## **Closing, 12:45 – 1:00 p.m.**

Reflect on task force process and report, and review next steps.

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# Equitable Health Care Task Force Meeting #18

September 24, 2025

- Make decisions on the implementation section
- Finalize recommendations and summarize any disagreements so those perspectives may be included in the report

# Agenda

11:00 – 11:10 a.m. Welcome

11:10 a.m. – 12:50 p.m. Recommendation and report review and finalization

12:50 – 1:00 p.m. Closing

# Summary of August Meeting

- What clarification questions do you have about this summary, if any?
- What concerns do you have about this summary, if any?



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## DRAFT: Equitable Health Care Task Force Meeting Summary

### Meeting information

August 27, 2025, 1:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
In-person location: UROC, 2001 Plymouth Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55411  
Online meeting format: WebEx  
MDH LiveStreamChannel

### Members in attendance

Sara Bolnick, Elizete Diaz, Mary Engels, Marc Gorelick, Vayong Moua, Mumtaz (Taj) Mustapha, Laurelle Myhra, Sonny Wasilowski, Erin Westfall, Yeng M. Yang

### Key meeting outcomes

- Task force members provided feedback and suggested changes to the recommendations and overall report.

### Key actions moving forward

- MDH will review the report and make revisions, if any, based on the task force's insight.
- All task force members are encouraged to continue to review the report. They can contact MDH with questions and feedback at [health.equitablehealthcare@state.mn.us](mailto:health.equitablehealthcare@state.mn.us).
- MDH will send communications to the task force to gather final feedback.

### Summary of Meeting Content and Discussion Highlights

#### Welcome

The task force was welcomed for their final meeting, and appreciation was expressed for their work and commitment.

The tragic shootings in Minneapolis were acknowledged, and gratitude was expressed for health workers who are supporting families and children.

The agenda was reviewed, and the summary of the July meeting was shared. The task force had no questions or concerns.



# Finalizing Recommendations and the Report

## Moving Ahead with Implementation

The Task Force's recommendations include a broad spectrum of strategies, inclusive of both tactics that build on Minnesota's current health care system and others that would fundamentally remake that system. Public feedback suggested the Task Force's recommendations would be strengthened by creating a more actionable plan for which recommendations to move forward with first. This section of the report addresses that feedback by suggesting a place to start with implementation.

### Criteria

Criteria for selecting this subset of recommendations include the following:

- The recommendation is more straightforward to implement and seeks to improve the current health care system rather than require a fundamental restructuring of it.
- Implementation of the recommendation could build on existing efforts or partnerships, which may lend energy and momentum to accomplishing the work.
- Compared with other recommendations, implementation does not require significant policy changes or significant additional financial resources. This is important as we think about current budget challenges and an uncertain policy environment, both of which make it difficult to pursue fully transformational change or invest substantial new resources into the health care system in the short-term.
- Implementation of the recommendation is highly valued by community and/or Task Force members.

Taken as a group, this proposed list of recommendations to initially move forward with is broadly representative of different areas of recommendations.

# Moving Ahead with Implementation: Discussion Questions

1. What is your overall support for including the Moving Ahead with Implementation section in the final report?
2. Which criteria, if any, would you add, modify, or remove?
3. Which recommendations, if any, would you remove or add to Table 2 in this section?



# Meeting Close

# Closing and Action Items

- Project team will:
  - Summarize today's meeting and share slides
  - Send reflection form
  - Update recommendations and report

# Recommendation and Report Issuance

- Late October or November
- Communications and dissemination to the audiences of your recommendations
- “Closing the loop” event with listening session and public comment participants
- Notification to task force members

# Thank You

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