

Frequently Asked Questions Affiliate Membership in the Mississauga OHT (MOHT)

How is membership in the MOHT changing?

The MOHT is creating a single member category called Affiliate Membership. We are asking organizations to submit an expression of interest to re-commit to being a member of the MOHT.

What is an Affiliate Member?

Affiliate Membership is available to organizations or groups that:

1. Deliver health or social services to our attributed population; or,
2. Represent key sectors that influence the social determinants of health,
AND are willing to commit resources to achieve the vision and goals of the MOHT (e.g. time, money, expertise, people).

At this time, Affiliate Membership is limited to organizations. Individual providers and other community members will be able to participate in MOHT engagement and co-design sessions so their perspectives and experiences are represented in the work of the MOHT.

What should I expect as an Affiliate Member?

Affiliate Members are organizations that work alongside individual providers and health system users to deliver care and improve health in this community. As a result, these organizations are integral to designing and delivering on the vision of the MOHT and should expect to have opportunities to:

- Participate in a wide range of engagement and co-design activities
- Contribute to working groups and discussions about sector representation
- Shape the MOHT approach to care

What are my obligations as an Affiliate Member?

Affiliate Members must regularly declare any conflicts of interest that may arise as part of their work with the MOHT and commit to the overall success of our vision through the contribution of in-kind resources to maintain membership.

Who is eligible to become an Affiliate Member?

We welcome expressions of interest from organizations of all sizes, and from all sectors, with broad scope of resources to contribute to the MOHT. Eligibility will be assessed against specific criteria and alignment with our shared vision and values. More details will be included with the expression of interest form.

Who should reconsider becoming an Affiliate Member?

Organizations that do not meet the criteria or that have particular conflicts of interest that may restrict their ability to fully participate in MOHT activities should reconsider submitting an expression of interest. An example of this may be a technology vendor that could be prevented from participating in procurement processes based on Broader Public Sector procurement rules due to their access to privileged information about the MOHT.

If my organization has previously signed on as a member, do I need to complete the expression of interest?

Yes, all organizations will be asked to submit an expression of interest to be considered for Affiliate Membership. This process will provide us with information that will support future planning and engagement work while setting clear expectations for membership.

How to I become an Affiliate Member?

Organizations interested in Affiliate Membership in the MOHT must submit an expression of interest to info@moht.ca by November 1, 2021 and meet specific criteria to be invited to join. The form will be available on the moht.ca website on September 18. Submissions will be reviewed by the MOHT Collaboration Council and membership decisions will be communicated in late November.

What if my organization is not ready to commit or does not meet the eligibility criteria?

There will be a process in place to accept ongoing submissions of expressions of interest. Please email info@moht.ca to find out how to stay involved and connected until you are ready to join or become more engaged in our work.

Organizations that do not meet eligibility criteria or are excluded due to conflict of interest can still partner with the OHT in other ways, including entering into project-specific contracts or agreements. They can also stay informed on our work through public forums and channels.

How do individual primary care providers and other clinicians stay involved?

We welcome expressions of interest from providers on behalf of their broader organizations, including Family Health Teams and other primary care Patient Enrollment Models. At this time individual primary care providers or other clinicians (e.g. specialists, allied health) are not required to complete an expression of interest to remain engaged and connected to the MOHT as partners.

The MOHT will include independent providers in future engagement opportunities and offer multiple channels so they can stay connected and involved in our work. Please email info@moht.ca to find out how to stay informed and engaged in our work.

How do I stay connected if I'm not an Affiliate Member?

Organizations and groups who are interested in staying connected and keeping up with our work can email info@moht.ca to join our mailing list.