



POLICY ON OPEN MEETINGS AND GOVERNANCE TRANSPARENCY

BACKGROUND

According to WISHIN's bylaws (Article II), the Corporation "recognizes the importance of consulting with, and considering recommendations from, a broad range of interested stakeholders." The diversity of viewpoints represented in the appointments to the WISHIN Board of Directors, Board Committees and Advisory Committees is a manifestation of the Corporation's interest in enabling broad stakeholder engagement.

WISHIN acknowledges, however, that opportunities to participate in the Corporation's formal governance structure are limited. WISHIN therefore recognizes that it is generally in the Corporation's interest to keep the public informed of its activities.

POLICY

As a private nonstock corporation with an important public purpose, WISHIN's policy on open meetings and governance transparency is as follows:

1. In general, WISHIN Board meetings will be open to attendance by the general public. However, the WISHIN Board reserves the right to close any meeting or part of a meeting at the discretion of the Board Chair or other Board member presiding at the meeting to prevent the disclosure of sensitive legal, contractual or personnel information, or for any other reason. The Board further reserves the right to exclude certain persons from meeting attendance if the Chair or other Board member presiding at the meeting determines that attendance by such persons would interfere with the orderly conduct of the meeting.
2. WISHIN will inform the public of the time and place of Board meetings by (a) posting a notice on its Web site and (b) sending notices via electronic mail to members of the public who have indicated an interest in receiving such notices. WISHIN will provide such notices at least two days in advance of the meeting.
3. In general, meeting agendas will accompany meeting notices. However, in some cases the agenda may be summarized if the formal agenda and/or meeting materials contain information that should not be released to the public, including, but not limited to, information pertaining to personnel, litigation, or contractual matters.