

## Who We Are

Here at Southwest Washington Accountable Community of Health, we bring partners together to create equitable, sustainable systems change that reduces cost and improves whole-person wellness for all.

Through our partnerships, we strive to build a healthier future in Southwest Washington - for everyone.

Focusing on improving health equity, we value:

- Innovating transformations that create positive change
- Fostering community engagement and voice
- Building trust with compassion, integrity, transparency, and accountability.

Our work covers Clark, Klickitat, and Skamania counties in Southwest Washington. The region represents diverse languages, backgrounds, and lived experiences. Our goal is to ensure that each population in our community has access to the care and wellness they need.

## What is an ACH?

SWACH is one of nine organizations leading the state's Healthier Washington Initiative in their regions. These Accountable Communities of Health (ACHs) are building a healthier Washington that meets their communities' unique needs.

## **Examples of Our Work**

- COVID-19 response
  - Vaccine education and access for Black, Indigenous, people of color, housing insecure, and medically marginalized populations
  - Care Connect Washington provides groceries, care kits, housing assistance, and other crucial support for households with positive COVID tests
- HealthConnect Hub
  - Centers a Community-Based Workforce to bridge the gap between medical and social services through innovation to ensure people get the care they need
- Convening partner organizations
  - Bringing partner agencies together to help address the social determinants of health
- Ensuring equity in care by leveraging lived experiences and increasing access to services.



## Community-Based Workforce Impact

An important aspect of the work we do is empowering a community-based workforce. By connecting with community members this way, we are able to provide the resources they need through individuals who understand their situation and needs. The support given through this group is equitable and often founded in lived experience.

