

Health Workforce Subcommittee:
Position Statement on List of Top 100 Critical Occupations

The Health Workforce Subcommittee of the Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic Development is tasked with aligning health workforce development efforts with Oklahoma's workforce and economic development priorities. The Subcommittee endorses the inclusion of twenty healthcare occupations on the Oklahoma Work's "Top 100 Critical Occupations List" and will work closely with the Governor's Council to prioritize the development of strategies that aim to close identified skills gaps and ensure an appropriate supply and distribution of these professions. However, the Subcommittee acknowledges that data limitations within the methodology used to create the list may not accurately identify the types of specialization needed in certain healthcare occupations. The Subcommittee will expand and further refine data analysis and may develop additional methodology that will ensure the development of reliable, data-driven strategies that address the unique and complex workforce needs of the health care sector.