

AHA Interest Group Profile: Senior Circle

Aurora Health Alliance (AHA) is a community-based health alliance of over 2,200 members that has been working in and for Aurora, Colorado since January 2010. AHA's mission is to collaboratively improve access to care and create a healthier Aurora, with a focus on the most vulnerable and underserved residents.

AHA has three goals: Increasing Access! Expanding Coverage! Building Collaboration!

AHA works through a variety of interest groups to pursue its mission and goals. One of these is the AHA Senior Circle.

Objectives

The SDOH Group has three objectives:

- ◆ To identify, discuss, and learn more about the issues that seniors in Aurora face;
- ◆ To identify, discuss, and learn more about resources available to address issues; and
- ◆ To explore and celebrate **collaborations** among the organizations serving Aurora's seniors.

Membership

In December 2018, there were 318 individuals signed up as members of the Senior Circle. A list of members and their organizations can be found on AHA's website under "Interest Groups."

Meeting Format and Schedule - 2019

The Senior Circle meets every-other month, on the second Wednesday from 1:00 to 2:00/2:30 (time depending on agenda). Meetings are hosted by various senior organizations in Aurora. The meetings usually include a presentation on a topic requested by the participants and a "community roundtable" where any participant can make announcements, request assistance, or share information and materials related to seniors in Aurora. Note: These are planned dates. Check the AHA calendar on our website for updates.

JAN	MAR	MAY	JUL	SEP	NOV	
9	13	8	10	11	13	

Projects/Outcomes

AHA Interest Groups occasionally take on projects or host additional events.

- Resource Guide to Oral Health Services Available on AHA's website under Data Sources, Resource Lists, and Reports, under "AHA Papers."
- **Nowhere to Go** The Senior Circle hosted a community convening in Spring 2018 focused on the problem of vulnerable seniors stranded in hospital emergency rooms because a safe discharge cannot be arranged. Information about the event is on our webpage.

To learn more about Aurora Health Alliance (AHA) or Senior Circle Interest Group visit our website at aurorahealthalliance.org or contact us at info@aurorahealthaccess.