

Strong Processes. Strong Communities.

How co-operative structures and sound processes support members and community.

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Wednesday, October 21, 2026

Online | 7:00-9:30 p.m. ET

Free

Practical online workshop

Prevention First

Eviction Prevention and the Co-op Process

Protect housing stability while meeting the co-op's responsibilities.

Eviction is the most serious action a housing co-op can take. This practical session looks at how early intervention, community supports and the co-op's internal process can work together to prevent housing loss wherever possible.

In this workshop

- Recognizing risk early and connecting members with community supports
- Addressing arrears, conflict and other concerns before eviction
- Fair board process, member rights, documentation and the LTB pathway

THE CO-OP CONNECTION

Prevention-focused processes protect members while helping the board act fairly and consistently.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Co-op members, staff and directors

**FACILITATED / PRESENTED BY
Eviction Prevention Waterloo
Region (EPWR) and Iler
Campbell LLP**

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Thursday, October 22, 2026

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Board Essentials

Confident Governance for Co-op Directors

Practical training for new and established directors.

Strong co-op communities depend on boards that understand both their authority and their accountability to members. This practical session builds the knowledge and habits directors need to govern with confidence.

In this workshop

- Board, member and staff roles - and the boundaries between them
- Director duties, confidentiality, conflict of interest and collective responsibility
- Focused meetings, sound decisions, oversight and accountability

THE CO-OP CONNECTION

Clear roles and accountable decisions build member trust and stronger governance.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

New and established co-op directors

FACILITATED / PRESENTED BY

Sarah Burnett-Murray

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Tuesday, October 27, 2026

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Practical online workshop

Boards Built to Last

Board Recruitment and Succession Planning

Build a strong board now - and a clear path for future leaders.

Effective succession planning begins before an election. Learn practical ways to identify leadership needs, invite more members to participate, prepare prospective directors and transfer knowledge when the board changes.

In this workshop

- Assessing board needs and creating a year-round recruitment plan
- Reducing barriers and building a representative leadership pipeline
- Orienting and mentoring candidates and transferring knowledge

THE CO-OP CONNECTION

Ongoing recruitment brings more members into leadership and protects continuity as boards change.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Co-op directors, staff and governance or nominations committee members

**FACILITATED / PRESENTED BY
Carine Nind**

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Thursday, November 12, 2026

Online | 7:00-9:30 p.m. ET

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Practical online workshop

Welcoming New Members

Member Intake for Federal Co-ops

Make the first experience of co-op community clear, fair and welcoming.

Follow the intake journey from first contact to move-in and learn how federal-program co-ops can build a consistent process that helps prospective members understand and prepare for co-op living.

In this workshop

- Effective orientation and clear expectations about co-op membership
- A fair and consistent member selection committee process
- Interviews, human rights, confidentiality, recommendations and board approval

THE CO-OP CONNECTION

A fair, welcoming intake process supports informed membership and healthy participation.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Staff, directors and member selection committee members

FACILITATED / PRESENTED BY

Sarah Burnett-Murray

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BUILDING STRONG COMMUNITIES TOGETHER.



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Online | 7:00-9:30 p.m. ET

Free

Practical online workshop

Co-op Welcome, Coordinated Access

Member Intake for HSA Co-ops

Bring the centralized wait list and the co-op membership process together.

This workshop maps the intake pathway from referral and offer through orientation, member selection and move-in. Learn how to preserve a meaningful co-op process while meeting Housing Services Act requirements.

In this workshop

- Roles of the Region, co-op staff, board and selection committee
- Sequencing referrals, offers, orientation, selection and reporting
- Fair decisions, documentation, communication and follow-through

THE CO-OP CONNECTION

Combining coordinated access with co-op orientation supports compliance without losing co-op identity.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Staff, directors and member selection committee members

FACILITATED / PRESENTED BY

Sarah Burnett-Murray and the Region of Waterloo

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Five free online workshops | 7:00-9:30 p.m. ET | Registration required

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Workshop 1 of 5 | Wednesday, October 21, 2026

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