



Week ending June 9nd, 2023

Committee Hearing Report outs

House Behavioral Health and Health Care

06/05/2023

An Informational Session was held on Investing in Oregon's Primary Care Providers. OHA began with a [presentation](#) discussing the current state of Oregon's primary care and the VBP model that serves as a support lever for providers, as well as PCPCH programs and eligibility criteria across the state. Other notable testimony also came from Former Governor John Kitzhaber, President of FamilyCare Health Jeff Heatherington, Former State Rep. Rachel Prusak, and Medical Director of Children's Health Alliance Jay Rosenbloom. All panels touched on the need for higher reimbursement rates, barriers in the workforce and other ways primary care providers can be supported in order to have more cost effective and high quality practices and services. Questions that came from the committee were mostly to clarify PCPCH programming.

House Behavioral Health and Health Care

06/07/2023

Informational Meeting: Child and Family Behavioral Health

[OHA Presentation](#)

- Focus: Prevention, OHA wants to invest in prevention as stopping the child mental health crisis will alleviate the adult crisis. Some suggests for prevention investing in community (parks, kids centers, CBOs, etc.), giving youth more social interactions, and reducing social media intake.
- General Info:
 - Alcohol and tobacco use is down in minors while cannabis use has stayed the same. Tobacco prevention is the most funded with little funding focusing on overdose prevention.

- Youth suicide rates are above the national average but Oregon saw a 26% reduction during the pandemic.
 - The reduction was mainly among white children so OHA is focusing on Brown and Black children to ensure equity
- There are no BHRNs that specialize in youth
- There is a decrease in the amount of youth discharged for mental health and SUD but a reason has not been found. Readmission is 13% within 30 days, 15% for young adults.
- Questions and Comments
 - Rep. Nosse has been criticized for not focusing on child and family behavioral health so he is dedicated to learning more
 - Rep. Nosse and Diehl agreed we need to find sustainable funding for youth that is not taken from another area.
 - Rep. Dexter requested more information on the impact of social media on mental health.

Joint Ways and Means

06/07/2023

OAFP PRIORITY LEGISLATION, [SB 490 A: Relating to family medicine residency training programs](#)

- **The bill passed out of committee and is on the way for a floor vote. Sen. Hansell asked if the funding would be used to abortion providers.**
 - **NO: Sen. Knopp, Hansell, Rep. Breese-Iverson, Cate, and Lewis**

[SB 972](#): Directs OHA to procure and administer a platform for the state's health insurance marketplace that is separate from the federal platform

- Passed out of the committee without discussion and is on the way for a floor vote.
 - No: Sen. Anderson, Knopp, Rep. Breese Iverson, and Cate

Capitol Construction Subcommittee

06/09/2023

Public Hearing and Work Session

[HB 3396](#): Health Care christmas tree bill

[LFO Recommendation](#)

- Public Hearing: Oregon Assoc of Hospitals And Health Systems, SEIU, and Pacificsource testified in support. Pacificsource is supportive of the -1 amendment which extends existing contracts between the Oregon Health Authority and a coordinated care organization to December 31, 2026. SEIU is supportive of the investments in work-force and a robust and resourced discussion around post acute care.
- Work Session: The -4 amendment (establishes a Joint Task Force on Hospital Discharge Challenges responsible for developing recommendations to address the challenges faced by hospitals in discharging patients to appropriate post-acute care settings) and -1 amendment were adopted and the bill passed unanimously out of committee. Sen. Steiner shared the intent is to draw down as much federal funding as possible and would like more discussion on long term care facilities.

Coalition Meeting Report

AHO Policy Check-In

06/07/2023

OHA shared that [HB 3396](#) was moved to Capital Construction and is functioning as a health policy christmas tree bill.

The Week Ahead

Senate Floor

06/12/2023 10:30 AM

[SB 450](#): Removes the requirement that physicians and physician's assistant must note on the label of the drug the name of the patient, name and address of the physician, any cautionary statements, and the expiration date of the drug when dispensing a nasal spray for reversing opioid overdose.

Third Reading

[SB 968](#): Changes the release date for strategic plan update (done by System of Care Advisory Council) from every two years to four years.

Third Reading

[SB 1043](#): Requires hospitals, detoxification facilities, and residential treatment facilities to provide two doses of opioid overdose reversal medication to patients who are treated for opioid use disorder and who are discharged to an unlicensed setting.

Third Reading

Senate Floor

06/13/2023 10:30 AM

[SJR 33](#): Proposing amendment to Oregon Constitution relating to an enumeration of equal rights.

Third Reading

[SB 192](#): Directs PBMs to report with DCBS including aggregated dollar amounts of rebates, fees, price protection payments, and any other payments received by drug manufacturers.

Third Reading

[HB 2002](#): Reproductive health care and gender affirming care access bill.

Third Reading

[HB 2235](#): Requires OHA to convene a work group on barriers to behavioral health work force and retention.

Third Reading

[HB 2278](#): Authorizes pharmacists to administer influenza vaccine to persons six months of age or older.

Third Reading

[HB 2395](#): Dexter's fentanyl bill package

Third Reading

[HB 2486](#): Allows pharmacy technicians under the supervision of a pharmacist to administer vaccines.

Third Reading

[HB 2513](#): Rep Nosse's M 110 fixes bill.

Third Reading

[HB 2584](#): Adds physician assistants to practice of medicine provisions, including use of title and duty of care.

Third Reading

[HB 3008](#): Creates an exemption to the requirement (Section 6, chapter 37, Oregon Laws 2022) that at least three primary care visits be covered by health insurance plans without requiring copay, coinsurance, or deductible.

Third Reading