

Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee Meeting

July 20, 2023 9 a.m. - noon

In-person

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AGENDA

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitators and Presenters	Purpose
9:05 – 9:10 a.m.	Welcome, meeting guidelines, and approval of previous meeting's minutes	Kraig Anderson Committee Chair	Information and voting
9:10 – 9:25 a.m.	Federal health policy updates	Stephanie Kennan McGuireWoods Consulting	Information and discussion
9:25 – 10:10 a.m.	Basic Health Program updates*	Tim Sweeney Senior Policy Analyst, Health Policy and Analytics, OHA	Information and discussion
10:10 – 10:15 a.m.	Public comment	Kraig Anderson Committee Chair	
10:15 – 10:25 a.m.		Break	

^{*}As approved in the committee workplan on 07/21/2022.

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitators and Presenters	Purpose
10:25 – 10:40 a.m.	2024 Rate Filings updates	Tashia Sizemore Life and Health Insurance Product and Regulation Manager, DFR Katie Button Marketplace Plan	Information
		Management and Policy Analyst	
10:40 – 10:55 a.m.	2023 Legislative Session wrap-up	Phil Schmidt Government Relations, OHA	Information and discussion
10:55 – 11:10 a.m.	SB 972 and SBM Transition Update	Chiqui Flowers Marketplace Director	Information
		Victor Garcia Marketplace Operations Development Specialist	
11:10 – 11:25 a.m.	Unwinding continuous eligibility in Oregon	Vivian Levy Interim Deputy Medicaid Director, OHA	Information
11:25 – 11:40 a.m.	Marketplace Transition Project updates*	Nina Remple Marketplace Transition Project Manager	Information and discussion
11:40 – 11:45 a.m.	Public comment	Kraig Anderson Committee Chair	
11:45 – 11:55 a.m.	Wrap up and closing	Kraig Anderson Committee Chair	

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Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

When: Thursday, May 25, 2023 – 9 a.m. to noon

Where: Virtual via Microsoft Teams

In-person at the Barbara Roberts Human Services Building

500 Summer St NE, Salem OR 97301

Committee members:

Virtual – Gladys Boutwell, Ron Gallinat, Paul Harmon, Lindsey Hopper (vice chair), Ines Kemper, Joanie Moore, Holly Sorensen, Om Sukheenai, Drew Tarab, and Nashoba Temperly

In person – Kraig Anderson (chair), Maribeth Guarino, and Shannon Lee

Members not present: None

Other presenters: Stephanie Kennan, Vivian Levy, Phil Schmidt, and Tim Sweeney

Marketplace staff: Chiqui Flowers, director; Victor Garcia, operations development specialist; Nina Remple, marketplace transition project manager; and Dawn Shaw, office support coordinator

Agenda item	
and	
time stamp*	

Discussion

Welcome, roll call, meeting guidelines, and approval of previous meeting minutes Roll call of Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee (HIMAC) members and staff, review of meeting guidelines, and approval of the January 19 meeting minutes. (See the handout packet pages 1-2 for a copy of the agenda, pages 3-7 for the January minutes, and pages 8-9 for the meeting guidelines.)

Approved January 19, 2023, minutes.

Welcome new committee members 15:21

Welcomed Danielle & Shannon

- Danielle Nichols is a MA (medical assistant) for the Oregon Medical Group and Lane Community College and has been a community assistor for the last six years.
- Shannon Lee, an entrepreneur and human development expert, is joining us as a member of the public.

Federal health policy updates 17:56

Stephanie Kennan from McGuire Woods Consulting called in from Washington, DC to present information about current legislation and cases that involve the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

- Debt ceiling
 - House is out today for recess but told to stay close in case they need to be called back.
 - Talk of a freeze on spending, and an increase of defense which could mean cuts in other areas. Medicaid and food stamp work requirements are also being discussed.

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- The White House was told to help Treasury in moving things around so we don't run out of money on June 1.
- Congressional Budget Office (CBO) published health insurance coverage projections for 2023-2033.
 - Made changes to their model to look at race and ethnicity.
 - Projecting a decline in Medicaid enrollment.
 - If subsidies expire after 2025 the CBO projects 4.9 million will become uninsured. By 2033 there will be a 10% uninsured rate.
 - There is a bounce back on medical spending post pandemic.
- Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM) reform
 - Just about every member of congress is co-sponsoring or creating their own PBM bill.
 - Defining what is transparency and having a better idea on how they determine prices.
 - The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is investigating PBM business practices.
 The FTC is broadening the investigation to include a group purchasing organizations.
- Appropriation bills process is a very slow process.
- Continuing resolutions
 - They will need to figure out how to fund agriculture and the FDA (Food and Drug Administration), it may go to the end of the fiscal year in September.
 - The DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) announced that flexibilities with prescription of certain drugs will end on a certain date.
 - More to come.
- CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) put out a proposed rule to extend Medicaid, CHIP, and Marketplace coverage for DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) recipients.
- Drew asked if the CBO would dive into state specific metrics. Stephanie responded that they did not go into state level specifics, but it may be included in an expanded report.
- Maribeth wanted to know if there are any conversations on expanded subsidies like ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) expiring. Stephanie thinks that next year there will be discussions about it.

Basic Health Program updates 34:27

Timothy Sweeney and Laurel Swerdlow presented updates on the Basic Health Program (BHP) including data from the Oliver Wyman report.

(See pages 10-21 of the handout packet for a copy of the slide deck.)

- Kraig wanted to verify the effective date. Timothy replied that July 1, 2024, is the intention but there isn't anything for certain. We can't restrict enrollment to only those moving from OHP. Most will have a January 1, 2025, effective date.
- Maribeth requested clarification that those above 200% of the federal poverty level will still be eligible for tax credits. Tim confirmed.
- Drew inquired if there are going to be three equal stages for people to make their way into the BHP or is it going to be one bolus in 2025 with smaller numbers in 2026 and 2027. Tim stated that the numbers would be reviewed further on in his presentation.
- Paul asked if there had been discussions with CMS and Treasury regarding the Marketplace tax credits. Tim informed that there have been verbal assurances from both CMS and Treasury. Clearer written agreement is in the works.
- Paul additionally commented that it was disappointing that the state assuming the risk could be borne by consumers. Tim answered that none of the task force recommendations that included state funding to mitigate risk went forward, unfortunately.

- Drew expressed concern and would like to see more transparency regarding overall market morbidity as premiums are likely to go up for those individuals that are above 200% FPL and enrolled in a Marketplace plan.
- Gladys wanted clarification on the impact to employer decision to offer coverage. Tim informed that the assumption would be that employer coverage would stay the same.
- Gladys stated that some of her clients who were above 400% of the FPL are struggling to pay premiums. Those clients have already done some metal tiering shifting to alleviate costs. Tim indicated that subsidies through ARPA and IRS should help affordability.
- Paul agreed with Drew's concern about the impact to consumers. Tim understands the
 concern and states that there are trade offs and there is no easy solution. Laura added
 that it has been challenging to find a solution and the development of our own state
 based Marketplace would help alleviate the costs.
- Maribeth questioned if the creation of our state based Marketplace would be too late to ease costs since it will likely happen in 2026/2027. Tim replied that they are looking at ways to get more federal funding. Laurel indicated that Oliver Wyman's analysis suggests that it won't be too late.

Public comment & break 1:35:27

None given.

2023 legislative session updates 1:45:25

Phil Schmidt presented the bills of interest for the Marketplace during the 2023 legislative session.

- The 2023 legislative session has been delayed due to a senate walk out on May 3, 2023. A lot of bills are being held up due to the lack of quorum. No signs of an agreement to come back. Voters approved a constitutional amendment barring legislators from running again if they have ten or more unexcused absences.
- OHA is working on their budget. It is possible that on the last day the senate republicans may be willing to come back and approve bipartisan budget bills. There is talk of a special session to wrap things up.
- SB 972 is the state based Marketplace bill. So far there has not been a ton of partisan opposition and has a good chance of passing. Chiqui and the team have done a great job of educating about the move to a state based Marketplace.
- Scenarios are being discussed if some of the budget is not approved.
 Redeterminations, Medicaid, and the BHP programs need funding.
- Highlighted a bill to extend CCO contracts by two years which would help the procurement process.
- Kraig wanted to know when session would normally end. Phil informed that June 25 is sine die.
- Maribeth inquired if there has been any word on legal action being taken about the walk outs. Phil said there are rumors but no word yet.

Unwinding continuous eligibility in Oregon 1:59:57

Vivian Levy discussed the plans for the upcoming Medicaid redeterminations. (See pages 25-27 of the handout packet for a copy of the slides.)

- Link to the dashboards: https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/Benefits/Pages/dashboards.aspx
- Kraig asked for clarification on the Medical Redeterminations Dashboard if that included people deemed no longer eligible. Kraig suggested adding the complete number onto future iterations of the dashboard.
- Slide 57 the acronym ABAWD is Able-Bodied Adult Without Dependents

- Nina wondered, when it comes to the postpartum 12 month coverage and at the end
 of the 12 months would they be redetermined and if eligible for OHP, would they have
 the two years of continuous eligibility. Vivian clarified that protected eligibility, which
 applies only to pregnant people, can run concurrently to continuous eligibility for a
 total of two years and then they will be moved to the most appropriate program.
- Om asked about postpartum coverage for those on CWM (citizenship waived medical). Vivian clarified that there is a twelve month postpartum coverage for people on CWM plus and not on Healthier Oregon.
- Om had an additional question about OHP coverage for people who are being redetermined and are over 65. Vivian and those at OHA have been working with partners at APD (adults and people with disabilities) to get them to the appropriate program.

Marketplace transition project updates 2:27:33

Nina Remple, the marketplace transition project manager, provided updates on how the transition is going.

(See pages 27-31 of the handout packet for a copy of the slides.)

- Kraig questioned the notifications for people out-of-state or over 65. Nina confirmed they are eliminating people who have attested to be out-of-state. People over 65 are still getting notifications in case they do not qualify for premium free Part A.
- Kraig additionally wondered about notification to those who have group coverage eligibility. Nina stated we don't get that information from OHP so we are unable to scrub the data for those individuals.
- Gladys wondered with all the information going out, how can she and her fellow agents help. Nina suggested going to farmers markets and connecting with community partners.
- Holly provided an example; her community partner group have collaborated with agents and local clinics to send out a countywide mailer.
- Nina included that when the mailers go out, we are including an insert of all the partner assisters and agents.

Public comment, wrap up & closing 2:42:53

Om asked for clarification about the unwinding and BHP, that people who are below 200% will be moving to BHP. Chiqui confirmed. Om was concerned about it being confusing. Chiqui assured that we do anticipate confusion and there will be robust communication plans that are being developed. More to come in our July meeting. Om did add that she speaks to local rotary clubs to help with outreach.

Kraig suggested facilitating follow up discussions and will reach out to the committee to best go about the discussions. Will make sure to add to the July meeting.

Andrew Stolfi added that the 2024 health rates have been filed with DCBS (Department of Consumer and Business Services). There will be public hearings and he encourages anyone who is interested to go to the DCBS website and submit testimony or opinions. Links for additional information:

- https://dfr.oregon.gov/healthrates/Documents/2024-rate-and-county-coverage.pdf
- https://dfr.oregon.gov/healthrates/Pages/find-filling.aspx?year-select=2024 (public comment links available on each filling)

Next meeting will be Thursday, July 20, 2023, 9 a.m. to noon. Unless notified otherwise the meeting will be a hybrid of virtual and in-person.

^{*}These minutes include timestamps from the meeting audio in an hour: minutes: seconds format. Meeting materials and audio are found on the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace Advisory Committee website under 2023 Meetings, May 25.





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Meeting protocols and requests

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 There are no bad questions or silly ideas. We will seek the perspectives of all by inviting each person to speak.
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 - Chiqui Flowers, Marketplace Director <u>chiqui.l.flowers@oha.oregon.gov</u> 503-884-6017

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Approval of minutes May 2023 meeting minutes

Kraig Anderson Committee Chair



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Federal health policy updates







Basic Health Program: BHP updates and considerations for next steps to improve Marketplace affordability

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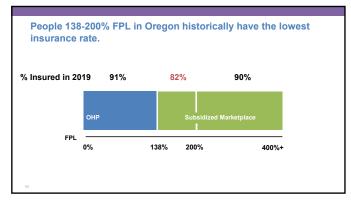


- BHP background and updates
- Marketplace affordability in 2025 & beyond
- Implementation considerations– member communicationsand outreach

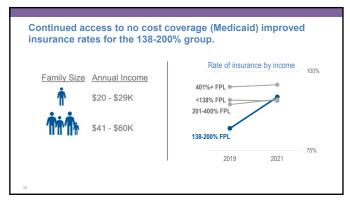
Basic Health Program

Updates and the value of the BHP

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What is a Basic Health Program?

- A Basic Health Program (BHP) covers individuals up to 200% FPL who would otherwise be eligible for Marketplace coverage.
- BHPs are authorized under Section 1331 of the Affordable Care Act.
- To establish a BHP, states must apply by submitting a BHP Blueprint to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS).
- To implement a BHP, states receive federal funding to cover BHP-eligible enrollees.

Income and Coverage Type

	ОНР		Basi Heal Prog	th		idized etplace
FPL	0%	13	88%	20	0%	400%+

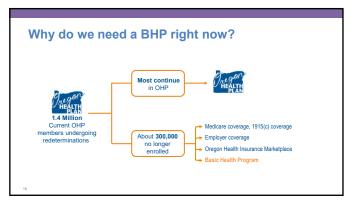
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There is nothing basic about Oregon's BHP.

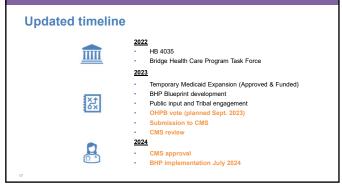
- CCO-administered OHP service package
- No enrollee costs (no premiums or cost-sharing)
- Estimated to cover or preserve coverage for more than 30,000 people who would likely go uninsured in absence of the BHP
- · Almost entirely federally funded



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People currently <u>Uninsured</u> Actuaries estimate some people who are currently uninsured will	Total: ~102,100
choose to enroll in the BHP.	11,300
People currently on the <u>Marketplace</u> Consumers currently purchasing Marketplace coverage with income between 138-200% FPL will move to the BHP gradually over the course of 3 years.	35,800
People currently covered by <u>Medicaid</u> People 138-200% FPL who are currently enrolled in OHP will transition to the BHP when it launches in 2024.	55,000



Opportunities to improve Marketplace affordability

Recap of Oregon's mitigation efforts

- Based on Task Force recommendations, Oregon spent 18 months exploring pathways for federal funding to shield consumers from premium increases that could result from the BHP.
- Without a State-Based Marketplace, none of the pathways for federal funding were operationally feasible for CMS.
- Oregon's move to a State-Based Marketplace, directed by the legislature to take place in 2027, will help overcome many operational barriers.
- OHA will keep convening carriers to explore state-funded "stopgap" solutions that could operate in 2025 and 2026, until Oregon moves to a State-Based Marketplace in 2027.

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Options explored so far to generate federal funds

- State-administered subsidy program
 - Capture federal funds to create a subsidy to reduce the cost of premiums
- Gold Benchmark on the FFM
 - Implement a policy that would increase amount of tax credits consumers receive
- BHP look-a-like
 - Instead of using Section 1331 authority, use a different federal authority to create a permanent coverage category for this population



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Feasibility of strategies to improve Marketplace affordability

 ${\it 3\ variables\ determine\ the\ feasibility\ of\ strategies\ to\ improve\ Marketplace\ affordability:}$



Implementation:

How do we get funds to consumers or to carriers to reduce costs?



Communications:

How do we inform consumers about reduced costs?



Funding source:

How does the funding source change the ways in which

the money can be used?

Federal barrie	rs and state limitations to p	proposed strategies
Implementation	Federally Facilitated Marketplace Cannot administer a subsidy Unwilling to prioritize Gold Benchmark operations	State-level systems • Carriers reported operational challenges to administering subsidies outside FFM
Communications	Limited options for communicating Oregon-specific policies to consumers	
Funding Source	Federal waiver policies Impact how much funding is available Restrict how federal funds may be used	State funding • CMS timeline affected ability to seek state funds in 2023 session

Moving beyond the FFM and federal funding restrictions

- The BHP impact on the Marketplace will occur gradually over three years.
- The BHP will not affect 2024 rate-setting.
- Oregon will have a State-Based Marketplace in plan year 2027, which will address issues related to implementation and consumer communications and could enable Oregon to return to federally funded solutions.
- Plan years 2025-26 require a "stopgap" approach.



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Next steps to improve Marketplace affordability

- OHA and DCBS have hosted 6 Carrier Tables to collaborate on this issue.
- OHA and DCBS will continue to convene the Carrier Table to consider operationally feasible ideas that do not require the FFM or federal funds and could be implemented as a "stopgap" for Plan Years 2025 and 2026.

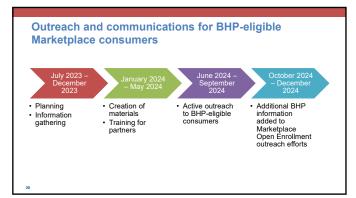
٠	State-administered subsidy program	
	State-to-Carrier payments	

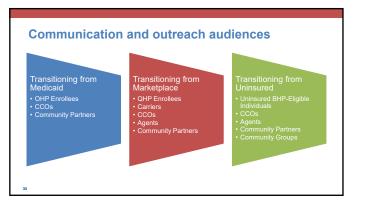




Additional Carrier Tables	
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Future carrier table topics	
 Identify stopgap solutions for plans years 2025 and 2026 	
 Develop options to improve marketplace affordability in the long-term BHP implementation needs 	
QHP enrollee communications	_
 Plan termination and grace period coordination Continuity of care coordination 	_
Continuity of care coordination	
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Requested carrier attendees	
In addition to government relations staff, we may request subject matter experts, depending on the topic of discussion.	
 Staff familiar with operational requirements such as billing, tax credit reconciliation, and enrollment file processing 	
Actuarial staff Marketplace liaisons	
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BHP Outreach and Communications





Managing	Marketplace	enrollee	disrup	otion

- Aid individuals with staying enrolled in their Marketplace plan when appropriate to ensure continuity of care
- · Help enrollees terminate Marketplace plans after BHP enrollment is effective
- Help enrollees stop auto-enrollment, or terminate coverage after autoenrollment has been effectuated in 2025
- Assist individuals in enrolling in the CCO that covers their Marketplace providers in areas where there is a choice between CCOs, or among CCO plans
- Provide education on what to expect when moving to a CCO with a very different provider network
- Make sure people know where to go for help and questions

Request for HIMAC feedback

- Which strategies do you recommend to successfully move Marketplace enrollees move to the BHP?
- What other topics related to BHP and the Marketplace are important to you?

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Thank You









Changes to Plan Offerings

- · Regence is discontinuing 3 plans
 - Bronze Essential 8000 With 4 Copay No Deductible Office Visits Legacy LHP (77969OR5280017) – consumers will be crosswalked to Regence Standard Bronze Plan Legacy (77969OR5290009)
 - Gold 2000 With Dental and Vision Exam Individual and Family Network (77969OR5320001) – consumers will be crosswalked to Gold 2500 Individual and Family Network (77969OR5280023)
 - Gold 2000 With Dental and Vision Exam Legacy LHP (77969OR5320002) consumers will be crosswalked to Gold 2500 Legacy (77969OR5280027)

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Changes to Plan Offerings, Cont.

- Moda has re-entered Deschutes and will offer 11 Affinity Network plans there
- PacificSource has discontinued their catastrophic plan consumers will be crosswalked to Navigator Bronze 9400 Exchange (10091OR0750018)

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2024 Proposed coverage map Tridgspan Tridg

\$5 PCP/Behavioral Health Office

- SB 1529 (2022) requires health plans to offer three free PCP visits
- Due to mental health parity requirements, HB 3008 (2023) was amended to include a mental health parity fix for SB 1529 (2022)
- Some health plans offered in 2024 will offer three \$5 office visits spread across primary care provider (PCP), mental/behavioral health, and substance abuse disorder office visits

\$5 PCP/Behavioral Health Office Visits

- All off-exchange plans and small group plans must include this benefit
- At least one on-exchange individual plan per carrier must include this benefit
- · Oregon standard plans must offer this benefit
- Some Moda and Providence non-standard plans include this benefit

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\$5 PCP/Behavioral Health Office Visits

 HealthCare.gov will only display this benefit's information in the limits and exclusions text

osts for medical care	
Deductible	. In Network: \$9,100 Individual total Out of Network: \$10,000 Individual total
Out-of-pocket maximum	\$9,100 Individual total
Primary care doctor visit	In Network: No Charge After Deductible Out of Network: 50% Compurance after deductible View limits and exclusions

\$	5 PCP/Behavioral Health Office Visits
•	After clicking on the limits and exclusions link, a pop up will display the information about the benefits:
	\$5 copay for the first three in-network primary care provider, other practitioner, outpatient mental/behavioral health, or outpatient substance abuse disorder visits combined per year prior to the deductible being met.

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\$5 PCP/Behavioral Health Office Visits • OregonHealthCare.gov/WindowShop automatically displays all explanation and exclusions text Doctor Visits Primary Care Visit to Treat an Injury of Illness No Charge after deductible Deplanations. Defaultee: Manual appointments and get acquainted visits. See policy for more information.

Category	2023 Amount	2024 Amount
Deductible	\$8,800	\$9,450
MOOP	\$8,800	\$9,450
PCP Visit	\$50	\$50*
Other Practitioner Visit	\$50	\$50*
Specialist Visit	\$100	\$150
Mental/Behavioral Health Visit	\$50	\$50*
Substance Abuse Disorder Visit	\$50	\$50*
Generic Drugs	\$20	\$25

2024 Standard Plan Cha i Standard Silver Base Plan	nges	
Category	2023 Amount	2024 Amount
Deductible	\$4,800	\$5,500
MOOP	\$9,100	\$9,450
PCP Visit	\$40	\$40*
Mental/Behavioral Health Visit	\$40	\$40*
Substance Abuse Disorder Visit	\$40	\$40*
*\$5 copay for the first three in-network primary care mental/behavioral health, or outpatient substance ab the deductible being met		

Category	2023 Amount	2024 Amount
Deductible	\$4,800	\$5,500
MOOP	\$7,250	\$7,550
PCP Visit	\$40	\$40*
Specialist Visit	\$70	\$80
Mental/Behavioral Health Visit	\$40	\$40*
Substance Abuse Disorder Visit	\$40	\$40*
Preferred Brand Drugs	\$55	\$60
Preferred Brand Drugs \$5 copay for the first three in-network primary car nental/behavioral health, or outpatient substance ne deductible being met	e provider, other practitione	r, outpatient

Standard Silver 87% CSR Plan			
Category	2023 Amount	2024 Amour	
Deductible	\$1,300	\$1,325	
MOOP	\$3,000	\$3,150	
PCP Visit	\$15	\$15*	
Mental/Behavioral Health Visit	\$15	\$15*	

\$15* Substance Abuse Disorder Visit \$15 *\$5 copay for the first three in-network primary care provider, other practitioner, outpatient mental/behavioral health, or outpatient substance abuse disorder visits combined per year prior to the deductible being met

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2024 Standard Plan Changes Standard Silver 94% CSR Plan

Category	2023 Amount	2024 Amount
Deductible	\$125	\$150
MOOP	\$1,000	\$1,075

PCP Visit \$10 \$10* Mental/Behavioral Health Visit \$10 \$10* Substance Abuse Disorder Visit \$10 \$10*

*\$5 copay for the first three in-network primary care provider, other practitioner, outpatient mental/behavioral health, or outpatient substance abuse disorder visits combined per year prior to the deductible being met

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2024 Standard Plan Changes

Standard Gold Plan

Category	2023 Amount	2024 Amount
Deductible	\$1,800	\$1,800
MOOP	\$7,300	\$7,550
PCP Visit	\$20	\$20*
Mental/Behavioral Health Visit	\$20	\$20*
Substance Abuse Disorder Visit	\$20	\$20*

*\$5 copay for the first three in-network primary care provider, other practitioner, outpatient mental/behavioral health, or outpatient substance abuse disorder visits combined per year prior to the deductible being met

Reminder: Affordable Employer Coverage Tool Tool helps individuals and families determine if an offer of employer coverage is affordable English: orhim.info/ESItool / Spanish: orhim.info/ESItool-SP Available from Marketplace homepages: OregonHealthCare gov Find out: Is coverage from your employer considered affordable? Descubrir: tall a coverage offected por some difference of the coverage Tool Supplies the coverage Tool Tool helps individuals and families determine if an offer of employer coverage is affordable.

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Reminder: Affordable Employer Coverage Tool Also available within the Window Shopping tool Who is in your household? Common you as relate, see if they don't common you as relate, see if they don't cover the state of the sta

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2023 Legislative Session

Policy Overview

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2023 OHA Legislative Goals

- To eliminate health inequity by 2030 by building health equity infrastructure
- To protect gains and continue to expand health care coverage
- To stabilize and enhance the behavioral health system
- To support Oregon State Hospital operations and patients transitioning into communities
- To strengthen the post pandemic public health system
- To promote and partner on housing access

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Key bills to address the opioid crisis

SB 1043: Naloxone distribution for people discharging from treatment and hospitals

HB 2395: Opioid prevention omnibus

SB 450: Exempts labeling requirements for nasal opioid overdose drug

SB 238: School curricula related to dangers of synthetic opioids.

Key behavioral health policy bills

HB 2513: Enacts a range of technical fixes to Measure 110
HB 2757/3426: Provides funding for the 988 Crisis Line and
Mobile Crisis Centers

 $\label{eq:hb} \textbf{HB 2235:} \ \textbf{Creates a behavioral health workforce work group}.$

HB 2767: Establishes requirements for the creation of new recovery schools

SB 968: Modifies statutes relating to the System of Care Advisory Council.

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Key bills impacting the Oregon State Hospital

HB 2405: Makes provisions to transport patient back to their home jurisdiction on release from the hospital

HB 2921: Requires hospitals to file demographics reports with the Bureau of Labor and Industries

SB 431: Creates a post-conviction appeals process for persons found "guilty except for insanity."

SB 629: Modifies membership of the Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board.

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Key Health Policy Bills

SB 966 Study Oregon's CCO Quality Incentive Program to eliminate health inequities

SB 972 Move to a state-based marketplace

SB 607 Study membership of Pain Management Commission

HB 2665 Establish caps on temporary staffing agency costs

SB 1089 Establishes Universal Health Plan Governance Board (DCBS lead agency)

Key bills	impacting	Medicaid	program	and	health
equity					

HB 2446 2-year CCO contract procurement extension

HB 2002 Reproductive rights and gender-affirming care mandate

HB 2286: 100% FMAP Tribal Savings and Reinvestment Program

SB 216: Confidentiality in Race, Ethnicity, Language, and Disability (REALD) & Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) Data Collection

HB 2278: Flu vaccine for all

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Key policy bills impacting hospital staffing

- HB 2697 sets new nurse staffing ratios and includes a new penalty structure for missed meal and rest breaks for hospital staff.
- HB 3396 funds OHA to develop a new reimbursement healthcare provider incentive program to expand on-the-job training and apprenticeship opportunities to support development of health care professionals.
- HB 2045 makes changes to the Health Care Cost Growth Target Program by exempting front line worker salaries from the cost growth target for hospitals and health care systems.

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Senate bill 972 (2023)

- Senate bill 972 requires OHA to transition the Marketplace from a state-based marketplace using the federal platform to a state-based platform using its own technology in time for open enrollment for plan year 2027. It also:
 - Removes reserve limits in order to fund the transition with Marketplace assessments in excess of operating expenses
 - Allows OHA to take all steps necessary prior to the Nov. 1, 2026, operative date (the start of plan year 2027 open enrollment) to ensure the transition is complete by that date.

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Senate bill 972 (2023) continued

- · Senate bill 972 2023 timeline:
 - o June 20: Passed out of senate
 - o June 23: Passed out of house
 - o June 27: Signed by senate president
 - $\circ\;$ June 29: Signed by speaker of the house
 - o TBD: Signed by governor

Next steps

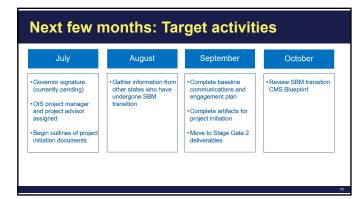
- The IT project will be led by the Office of Information Services (OIS), a central services division shared by OHA and DHS
 - OIS has assigned a project manager to oversee the technology portion of the project, which includes:
 - Detailed project planning that ensures state IT oversight requirements are met
 - Vendor procurement(s) and solution implementation

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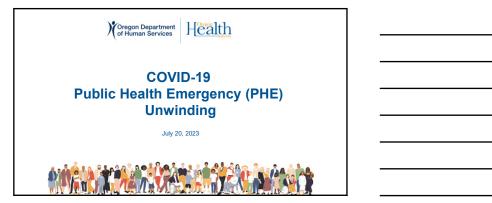
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- o The Marketplace will be:
 - Informing the business requirements for the vendor procurement(s)
 - Making the necessary changes to its structure and staff to manage the new abilities and responsibilities that come with an SBM Transition

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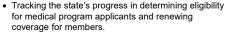






ONE Eligibility Operations Dashboards

Two dashboards are available on benefits.oregon.gov. The dashboards are designed to display data for:





 Monitoring the experience for people calling the ONE Customer Service Center to apply for or ask for help with medical, food, cash and child care benefits. Scan the QR code to go to the Eligibility Operations Dashboards webpage

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Medical Redeterminations Dashboard expanded in June

Medical renewal outcome data added



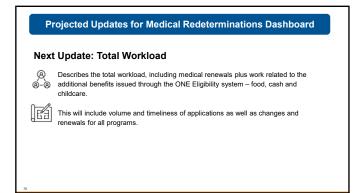
Provides redetermination results with the percentages of those successfully renewed, renewed with a benefit reduction, and closures, including the reason for the closure.

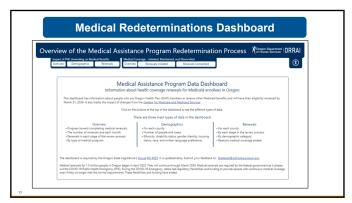


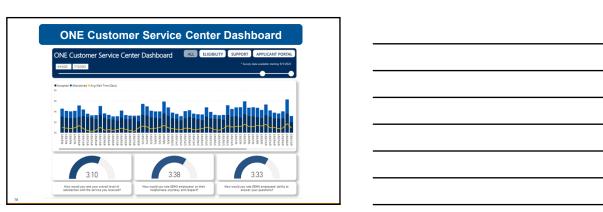
Displays percentages of referrals to Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace and provides enrollment rates in Coordinated Care Organizations, Fee-for-Service providers and Medicare Service Programs.

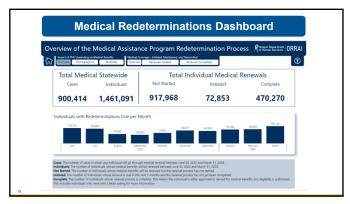


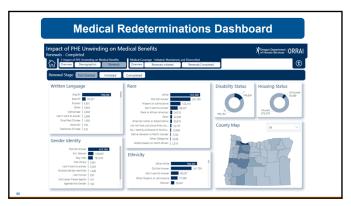
Illustrates percentage of renewals in process and waiting for action either by the state or by an Oregonian.

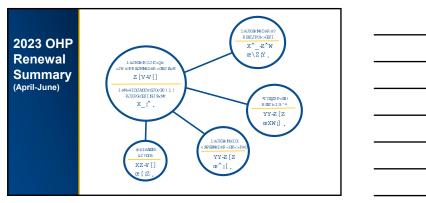












Help for People Losing OHP Coverage

- The first losses of coverage happened on June 30, 2023. About 8,150 members were expected to lose coverage at the end of June. These members were sent a closure notice in April.
- Five things to advise people who lose coverage to do:
 - Review the case summary in your letter to make sure the information used to make the decision was correct, and contact Oregon Health Plan to submit updated information if needed.
 - Explore options through an employer.
 - If the person has or is eligible for Medicare, they can go to OregonHealthcare.gov/GetHelp to find an
 insurance agent or a helper at the Senior Health Insurance Repetits Assistance Program (SHIRA)
 - Don't assume health coverage is too expensive. Nearly 80 percent of Oregonians qualify for financial help through the Health Insurance Marketplace. Visit OregonHealthCare.gov/WindowShop
 - Need free local help figuring any of this out? People can visit <u>OregonHealthCare.gov/GetHelp</u> to find professional help near them

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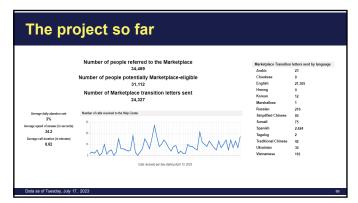




Transition Help

- Processing and Call Center vendor is Performance Health Technology (PH Tech)
- Call Center hours of operations Monday Friday 7 am to 6 pm
 - o Calls asking for help with window shopping
 - o Transfers to HealthCare.gov
- CMS 30 Day file have reported 8,000 not yet enrolled in QHP
 - o Outbound calls to these consumers offering assistance
- Marketplace Transition Project Dashboard: orhim.info/transition-dashboard

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Grants

- Six community-based organizations are in the process of executing grant agreements totaling \$835,000
 - Communities of focus:
 - African American and Black Diaspora communities
 - Asian communities
 - LGBTQIA2S+
 - Hispanic and Latino/Latina/Latinx communities
 - Slavic and Eastern European communities
 - Ethiopian and Eritrean communities

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- Plan to host information and enrollment events and tabling at community events
- Some have invited us to present Marketplace related topics to educate their communities
- We are sending CPs a list of OHP ineligible members weekly they are associated with to be used for outreach

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How to help people losing OHP benefits

- Advise of financial assistance programs available through not-for-profit hospitals and affiliated clinics/health systems
 - See list of participating facilities at <u>orhim.info/ORHospitals</u>
- Educate about their options through the Marketplace
 - o Window Shopping tool:
 - English: <u>OregonHealthCare.gov/WindowShop</u>
 - Spanish: orhim.info/ObtengaCobertura

How to help people losing OHP benefits

- Offer a referral to a Marketplace expert who can help with application/enrollment
 - o English: OregonHealthCare.gov/GetHelp
 - o Spanish: orhim.info/encuentreayuda

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Discussion: Feedback from the Community?



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Public comment



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Wrap up and closing

