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Health Share of Oregon moves forward with single CCO application in tri-county area Member organizations withdrew Letters of Intent to apply

(Portland, OR) – Health Share of Oregon's Board of Directors voted Friday, February 8 to move forward with a single coordinated care organization (CCO) application for the Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington county region. All other letters of intent to apply for the service area have been withdrawn.

Health Share is a collaborative CCO that was founded and continues to be governed by managed care entities, health care systems, counties, providers, and social service entities serving Oregon Health Plan members in the region. Those same partners will continue to work together through the end of the next five-year CCO contract, with an improved organizational structure.

"We're 'all in' for continuing to serve Health Share's mission of partnering with communities to achieve ongoing transformation, health equity, and the best possible health for each individual," said Board Chair Marni Kuyl.

Health Share's board and member organizations also announced that they have adopted the following principles to guide the development of a refined organizational structure to best serve the region's OHP members through 2024:

- Delivering a high-quality health care experience that improves health and reduces inequity for all OHP members in our region is our top priority.
- Partnering around scarce Medicaid resources is the best way to serve OHP members in our community. We are building on the successes and learnings in our first six years and are excited to work together in new and different ways.
- Moving toward more integrated care that is easier for members and providers to navigate will
 improve the experience of care for our members, increase quality, and reduce costs to the system.

- Reducing administrative costs and duplication is key to driving more resources to our community and supporting safety net services in the tri-county area.
- Leveraging the collective strengths and resources of our partners toward shared community health initiatives with the goal of eliminating health care disparities and addressing the social determinants of health is fundamental to our mission.

"Our member organizations have, once again, collectively accepted the challenge of breaking down barriers to work together in the best interest of OHP members and a future where we live our vision of a healthy community for all," said Health Share's Interim Chief Executive Officer Maggie Bennington-Davis, MD.

Health Share's partners will now begin to put together an aspirational, community-driven CCO 2.0 application to submit in April.

About Health Share of Oregon

<u>Health Share of Oregon</u> is the state's largest coordinated care organization (CCO), serving Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties. Our mission is to partner with communities to achieve ongoing transformation, health equity, and the best possible health for each individual.

Health Share was founded and continues to be governed by eleven health care and human services organizations serving OHP members: Adventist Health, CareOregon, Central City Concern, Clackamas County, Kaiser Permanente, Legacy Health, Multnomah County, Oregon Health & Science University, Providence Health & Services, Tuality Healthcare, and Washington County.

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