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**Health Share of Oregon releases 5-year performance report,
gathers health care and community partners in learning conference**

(Portland, OR) – Last month, Health Share of Oregon, which serves over 300,000 Oregon Health Plan members in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties, released a 5-year snapshot of its quality performance metrics in tandem with a community-wide learning conference: All Together, Leading toward a ready and resilient community.

Coordinated care organizations (CCOs), like Health Share of Oregon, exist to serve Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members as well as transform how health care is delivered to communities. The performance report, [Measurable Outcomes](#), shows how Health Share specifically met or exceeded state performance targets in an effort to transform care. Highlights over the five-year period include:

- 27% decrease in rate of emergency room use
- 67% increase in dental sealant rate
- 80% increase in adolescent well care visits
- 200% increase—tripling the rate—of physical, mental and dental assessments for kids entering DHS custody
- 247% increase—more than tripling—the developmental screening rate

“Our investments, programs and partnerships are making a difference for our members and the entire region,” said Maggie Bennington-Davis, interim CEO and chief medical officer for Health Share of Oregon. “As CCOs throughout the state prepare for the next five years of serving Oregon Health Plan members, Health Share of Oregon is well positioned to continue investing in programs and initiatives that improve health outcomes for all.”

After six years of advancing a vision of a healthy community for all, Health Share of Oregon and its regional partners continue to collaborate on future efforts to provide more equitable care, expand access to treatment and recovery, and elevate community partnerships.

In December, Health Share convened a gathering of nearly 70 regional health plans, providers, its 3 county partners, and other community-based and partner organizations to share information about the various efforts to transform Medicaid and deliver health outcomes in the tri-county region. Presentations and discussions specifically focused on:

- **Early Life Health:** ensuring kids are ready for kindergarten and families are connected to the health and social resources they need to thrive
- **Mental Health & Substance Use:** ensuring people are able to access quality mental health and substance use services delivered by a trauma-informed workforce when and where they need them
- **Health Equity:** ensuring an equity first approach, prioritizing elimination of health disparities for future generations.

“Beyond performance metrics, our work has helped us expand our understanding of the communities we serve,” said Marni Kuyl, chair of Health Share’s board of directors. “We have increased our commitment to addressing gaps in access to care and we continue to expand our work beyond the doctor’s office – into schools, homes and across social systems.”

To learn more about how Health Share of Oregon and regional partners are creating a healthy community for all, visit: HealthShareOregon.org/commitment-to-health.

About Health Share of Oregon

[Health Share of Oregon](https://HealthShareOregon.org) 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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