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## Health Share wins contract to continue serving Oregon Health Plan members

(Portland, OR) – The Oregon Health Authority announced today its intent to contract with Health Share of Oregon, the coordinated care organization (CCO) serving Oregon Health Plan members in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

Health Share passed all six criteria areas, showing strong alignment with the policy objectives for the next round of CCO contracts (known as CCO 2.0): improve the behavioral health system, work to implement value-based payments, contain costs, and continue to address social determinants of health and health equity.

“This initial intent to contract is an exciting step toward continuing our record of success taking on our region’s biggest health care challenges and ensuring everyone has the opportunity to thrive,” said Maggie Bennington-Davis, MD, interim CEO and Chief Medical Officer for Health Share. “The hallmark of Health Share is our collaborative model—bringing together hospitals, counties, health plans, providers, and social service organizations to meaningfully address the needs of the communities we serve.”

The Oregon Health Authority began its process to select the CCOs who will serve OHP members earlier this year. The contracts start January 1, 2020 and go through December 31, 2024. Next steps include a readiness review by the state beginning in August. Pending results of that review, final contracts will be signed at the end of September.

“Leveraging our relationships with the major health care finance and delivery systems in the tri-county area allows us to address and improve behavioral and physical health integration in primary care, at the same time we work to implement value-based payments with each system partner,” said Marni Kuyl, Director of Washington County’s Department of Health and Human Services and Chair of Health Share’s Board of Directors. “In addition, Health Share’s unique model creates a platform to implement community-driven health transformation strategies through strong relationships with community-based organizations, the counties, and the health plan and delivery systems.”

Health Share has served Oregon Health Plan members since CCOs were established in 2012. Today, it serves over 300,000 OHP members across Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties. Health Share members have access to the largest network of health plans and care providers, including doctors, dentists, counselors, and more.

“All of us deserve the opportunity to live a long, healthy life—no matter who we are, what neighborhoods we live in, or how much money we make,” added Bennington-Davis. “We have more capacity than ever to work with our partners to improve health not only for our members, but for entire communities.”

### **About Health Share of Oregon**

[Health Share of Oregon](#) is the state’s largest Medicaid coordinated care organization (CCO), serving 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 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 Health Alliance and Washington County.

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