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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Appropriates moneys to] **Requires** Oregon Health Authority *[for]* **to establish peer and community-driven** programs that provide culturally specific **and culturally responsive behavioral health** services *[that are directly responsive to and driven by]* **to** people of color, tribal communities and people of lived experience.

[Increases funding to reintegrate into community criminal defendants found unfit to proceed in criminal proceeding.]

[Appropriates moneys to authority to construct and operate secure residential treatment facility to serve up to 39 individuals.]

Requires authority to reimburse cost of co-occurring mental health and substance use disorder treatment paid for on fee-for-service basis at enhanced rate based on specified factors.

Requires authority to conduct study of reimbursement rates for co-occurring disorder treatments and study of Medicaid rates paid for behavioral health services compared to physical health services and rates paid for addiction treatment services compared to mental health services.

[Imposes requirements on authority regarding reimbursement for services provided by mental and behavioral health providers to medical assistance recipients.]

Requires authority to continually evaluate and revise administrative rules to reduce regulatory burden on providers.

Directs authority to adopt rules requiring coordinated care organizations to provide housing navigation services and address social determinants of health through care coordination.

Requires intensive behavioral health treatment providers, **coordinated care organizations and insurers** to collect and report to authority data regarding access to *[intensive behavioral health]* treatment for children and adolescents **with high acuity behavioral health needs.**

Requires authority to contract with third-party vendor to survey medical assistance recipients about their experiences with behavioral health care and services.

Requires Oregon Health Policy Board, by February 1, 2022, to establish Behavioral Health Committee consisting of specified members to establish quality metrics for behavioral health services provided by coordinated care organizations and providers who contract with authority and establish incentives to improve quality of behavioral health services.

Requires authority to make specified reports to Legislative Assembly.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to individuals with behavioral health disorders; creating new provisions; amending ORS
3 413.017, 413.032, 414.025, 430.335 and 430.717; and declaring an emergency.

4 Whereas the Legislative Assembly declares that health equity must be advanced within the
5 state's behavioral health system regardless of race, ethnicity, location or housing status; and

6 Whereas mental health and substance use disorders must be detected early and treated effec-
7 tively; and

8 Whereas youth and adults with serious mental illness need timely access to the full continuum
9 of behavioral health care; and

10 Whereas youth and adults with serious mental illness need to receive treatment that is respon-

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 sive to their individual needs and leads to meaningful improvements in their lives; and

2 Whereas people with serious mental illness need access to affordable housing that offers inde-
3 pendence and is close to providers, community resources and public transportation; and

4 Whereas the supply, distribution and diversity of the behavioral health workforce needs to pro-
5 vide appropriate levels of care and access to care in the community; now, therefore,

6 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

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8 **PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

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10 **SECTION 1. The Oregon Health Authority shall:**

11 (1) Establish programs that are peer and community driven that ensure access to cul-
12 turally specific and culturally responsive behavioral health services for people of color, tribal
13 communities and people of lived experience.

14 (2) Provide medical assistance reimbursement for tribal-based practices.

15 **SECTION 2. The Oregon Health Authority shall reimburse the cost of co-occurring**
16 **mental health and substance use disorder treatment services paid for on a fee-for-service**
17 **basis at an enhanced rate based on:**

18 (1) Existing reimbursement codes used for co-occurring disorder treatments;

19 (2) Clinical complexity; and

20 (3) The education level of the provider.

21 **SECTION 3. The Oregon Health Authority shall provide one-time start-up funding for**
22 **behavioral health treatment programs that provide integrated co-occurring disorder treat-**
23 **ment.**

24 **SECTION 4. The Oregon Health Authority shall conduct a study of reimbursement rates**
25 **for co-occurring disorder treatments, including treatment of a co-occurring intellectual and**
26 **developmental disability and problem gambling disorder.**

27 **SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
28 **ated to the Oregon Health Authority, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the**
29 **General Fund, the amount of \$10,200,000, which may be expended for carrying out sections**
30 **2 to 4 of this 2021 Act.**

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32 **WORKFORCE**

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34 **SECTION 6. The Oregon Health Authority shall continually evaluate and revise adminis-**
35 **trative rules governing behavioral health programs and services to reduce the administrative**
36 **burden of documentation, particularly around assessment and treatment planning, the**
37 **measures and outcomes tracking system or successor systems and other reporting required**
38 **for providers seeking certificates of approval and to ensure that the rules are consistent with**
39 **the medical assistance program administrative rules that apply to behavioral health care**
40 **staff operating in primary care and other settings.**

41 **SECTION 7. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall conduct a study of Medicaid rates paid**
42 **for:**

43 (a) Behavioral health services compared to physical health services; and

44 (b) Addiction treatment services compared to mental health services to providers with
45 equivalent levels of education and training.

1 (2) No later than February 1, 2022, the authority shall report to the interim committees
2 of the Legislative Assembly related to behavioral and mental health, in the manner provided
3 in ORS 192.245, the results of the study conducted under subsection (1) of this section and
4 recommendations for:

5 (a) Achieving a living wage for behavioral health care workers, including additional
6 treatment providers, peers and family support specialists; and

7 (b) Providing more equitable wages between physical health care workers and behavioral
8 health care workers.

9 **SECTION 8.** The Oregon Health Authority, with the advice of stakeholders and the Al-
10cohol and Drug Policy Commission, may establish minimum rates of reimbursement paid by
11the authority or coordinated care organizations to addiction treatment providers to ensure
12medical assistance recipients' access, without delay, to all modalities of addiction treatment
13within each geographic region of this state.

14 **SECTION 9.** The Oregon Health Authority shall contract with a third-party vendor to
15survey medical assistance recipients about their experiences with behavioral health care and
16services using a standardized survey tool.

17 **SECTION 10.** The Oregon Health Authority shall create workforce training and establish
18endorsements or certifications for behavioral health providers of co-occurring disorder
19treatment.

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21 **HOUSING**

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23 **SECTION 11.** The Oregon Health Authority shall adopt by rule requirements for coordi-
24nated care organizations to provide housing navigation services and address the social de-
25terminants of health through care coordination.

26 **SECTION 12.** ORS 430.335 is amended to read:

27 430.335. In accordance with the policies, priorities and standards established by the Alcohol and
28Drug Policy Commission under ORS 430.223, and subject to the availability of funds therefor, the
29Oregon Health Authority may:

30 (1) Provide directly through publicly operated treatment facilities, which shall not be considered
31to be state institutions, or by contract with publicly or privately operated profit or nonprofit treat-
32ment facilities, for the care of [*alcoholics or drug-dependent persons*] **individuals with substance**
33**use disorders.**

34 (2) Sponsor and encourage research of [*alcoholism and drug dependence*] **substance use disor-**
35**ders.**

36 (3) Seek to coordinate public and private programs relating to [*alcoholism and drug*
37*dependence*] **substance use disorders.**

38 (4) Apply for federally granted funds available for study or prevention and treatment of
39[*alcoholism and drug dependence*] **substance use disorders.**

40 (5) Directly or by contract with public or private entities, administer financial assistance, loan
41and other programs to assist the development of [*drug and alcohol free*] housing **for individuals**
42**with substance use disorders.**

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44 **DATA ON INTENSIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT**
45 **CAPACITY FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS**

SECTION 13. ORS 430.717 is amended to read:

430.717. (1) As used in this section:

(a) “Children and adolescents” means individuals 20 years old and younger.

(b) “Coordinated care organization” has the meaning given that term in ORS 414.025.

(c) “Insurer” means an insurer, as defined in ORS 731.106, that has a certificate of insurance to transact health insurance in this state, other than disability insurance.

(d) “Intensive behavioral health treatment provider” means any provider licensed in this state to provide intensive psychiatric treatment, acute inpatient treatment or residential substance use disorder treatment of children and adolescents.

(2) Intensive behavioral health treatment providers, coordinated care organizations and insurers shall collect and provide data to the Oregon Health Authority, or to a third party vendor that contracts with the authority, in the manner prescribed by the authority on the demand for and capacity to provide treatment of children and adolescents presenting with high acuity behavioral health needs. Intensive behavioral health treatment providers shall submit:

(a) Data on bed capacity;

(b) Referrals received, by provider; and

(c) Other information prescribed by the authority.

(3) The authority may provide funding to intensive behavioral health treatment providers to collect and provide the data described in subsection (2) of this section.

(4) The authority shall use the data described in subsection (2) of this section to:

(a) Monitor and track the capacity of intensive behavioral health treatment providers to provide treatment of children and adolescents presenting with high acuity behavioral health needs;

(b) Identify gaps in data that prevent the tracking of intensive behavioral health service capacity and develop a plan for addressing the gaps that includes providing assistance to providers and modifying required data elements that must be reported;

(c) Develop benchmarks and performance measures for intensive behavioral health treatment capacity; and

(d) Conduct research and evaluation of the children’s and adolescents’ continuum of care.

(5) The authority shall share data and coordinate processes with the Department of Human Services to populate the Children’s System Data Dashboard described in ORS 418.981.

(6) The authority shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section, including rules establishing:

(a) Parameters and specifications for data collection;

(b) Processes for intensive behavioral health treatment providers to submit data for the establishment of a centralized, real-time provider directory, bed registry and access portal;

(c) Requirements for the frequency of data submissions;

(d) Requirements for coordinated care organizations and insurers to collect and report, for members and insureds treated by intensive behavioral health treatment providers, data not submitted by providers under this section;

(e) A process for monitoring and documenting the need for high acuity behavioral health services for children and adolescents;

(f) The authority’s responsibilities for reporting data back to providers; and

(g) Measures to ensure compliance with data collection standards established under sec-

1 **tion 40, chapter 12, Oregon Laws 2020 (first special session).**

2 [(1)] (7) The [Oregon Health] authority shall contract with an Oregon-based nonprofit organiza-
3 tion with the expertise to operate a [24-hour] call center dedicated to tracking and providing infor-
4 mation about available placement settings for children and adolescents needing high acuity
5 behavioral health services.

6 [(2)] (8) The call center shall also be responsible for:

7 (a) Implementing processes for service providers to submit data that can be used to assess and
8 monitor, on a daily basis, statewide capacity to provide high acuity behavioral health services to
9 children and adolescents;

10 (b) Recording the time from the first contact with the call center to the location of an appro-
11 priate placement; and

12 (c) Documenting the need for high acuity behavioral health services for children and adoles-
13 cents.

14 **SECTION 14. (1) No later than December 1, 2022, the Oregon Health Authority shall re-**
15 **port to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health, in the manner**
16 **provided in ORS 192.245, and to the Governor recommendations to address:**

17 (a) **The demand and the capacity for intensive behavioral health treatment for children**
18 **and adolescents.**

19 (b) **Barriers to data collection and provider compliance with ORS 430.717 (2).**

20 (2) **The report shall include:**

21 (a) **Recommendations for overcoming barriers to data collection; and**

22 (b) **A plan for expanding the referral data collection requirements to providers in the**
23 **broader children’s continuum of care, including community behavioral health services for**
24 **children and adolescents with lower-acuity needs, and to adult intensive behavioral health**
25 **treatment providers.**

26 **SECTION 15. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-**
27 **priated to the Oregon Health Authority, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the**
28 **General Fund, the amount of \$400,000, which may be expended for carrying out the amend-**
29 **ments to ORS 430.717 by section 13 of this 2021 Act.**

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31 **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH METRICS**

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33 **SECTION 16.** ORS 413.017 is amended to read:

34 413.017. (1) The Oregon Health Policy Board shall establish the committees described in sub-
35 sections (2) to [(4)] (5) of this section.

36 (2)(a) The Public Health Benefit Purchasers Committee shall include individuals who purchase
37 health care for the following:

38 (A) The Public Employees’ Benefit Board.

39 (B) The Oregon Educators Benefit Board.

40 (C) Trustees of the Public Employees Retirement System.

41 (D) A city government.

42 (E) A county government.

43 (F) A special district.

44 (G) Any private nonprofit organization that receives the majority of its funding from the state
45 and requests to participate on the committee.

1 (b) The Public Health Benefit Purchasers Committee shall:

2 (A) Identify and make specific recommendations to achieve uniformity across all public health
3 benefit plan designs based on the best available clinical evidence, recognized best practices for
4 health promotion and disease management, demonstrated cost-effectiveness and shared demographics
5 among the enrollees within the pools covered by the benefit plans.

6 (B) Develop an action plan for ongoing collaboration to implement the benefit design alignment
7 described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph and shall leverage purchasing to achieve benefit
8 uniformity if practicable.

9 (C) Continuously review and report to the Oregon Health Policy Board on the committee's
10 progress in aligning benefits while minimizing the cost shift to individual purchasers of insurance
11 without shifting costs to the private sector or the health insurance exchange.

12 (c) The Oregon Health Policy Board shall work with the Public Health Benefit Purchasers
13 Committee to identify uniform provisions for state and local public contracts for health benefit plans
14 that achieve maximum quality and cost outcomes. The board shall collaborate with the committee
15 to develop steps to implement joint contract provisions. The committee shall identify a schedule for
16 the implementation of contract changes. The process for implementation of joint contract provisions
17 must include a review process to protect against unintended cost shifts to enrollees or agencies.

18 (3)(a) The Health Care Workforce Committee shall include individuals who have the collective
19 expertise, knowledge and experience in a broad range of health professions, health care education
20 and health care workforce development initiatives.

21 (b) The Health Care Workforce Committee shall coordinate efforts to recruit and educate health
22 care professionals and retain a quality workforce to meet the demand that will be created by the
23 expansion in health care coverage, system transformations and an increasingly diverse population.

24 (c) The Health Care Workforce Committee shall conduct an inventory of all grants and other
25 state resources available for addressing the need to expand the health care workforce to meet the
26 needs of Oregonians for health care.

27 (4)(a) The Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee shall include the following members appointed
28 by the Oregon Health Policy Board:

29 (A) An individual representing the Oregon Health Authority;

30 (B) An individual representing the Oregon Educators Benefit Board;

31 (C) An individual representing the Public Employees' Benefit Board;

32 (D) An individual representing the Department of Consumer and Business Services;

33 (E) Two health care providers;

34 (F) One individual representing hospitals;

35 (G) One individual representing insurers, large employers or multiple employer welfare ar-
36 rangements;

37 (H) Two individuals representing health care consumers;

38 (I) Two individuals representing coordinated care organizations;

39 (J) One individual with expertise in health care research;

40 (K) One individual with expertise in health care quality measures; and

41 (L) One individual with expertise in mental health and addiction services.

42 (b) The committee shall work collaboratively with the Oregon Educators Benefit Board, the
43 Public Employees' Benefit Board, the authority and the department to adopt health outcome and
44 quality measures that are focused on specific goals and provide value to the state, employers,
45 insurers, health care providers and consumers. The committee shall be the single body to align

1 health outcome and quality measures used in this state with the requirements of health care data
2 reporting to ensure that the measures and requirements are coordinated, evidence-based and focused
3 on a long term statewide vision.

4 (c) The committee shall use a public process that includes an opportunity for public comment
5 to identify health outcome and quality measures that may be applied to services provided by coor-
6 dinated care organizations or paid for by health benefit plans sold through the health insurance
7 exchange or offered by the Oregon Educators Benefit Board or the Public Employees' Benefit Board.
8 The authority, the department, the Oregon Educators Benefit Board and the Public Employees'
9 Benefit Board are not required to adopt all of the health outcome and quality measures identified
10 by the committee but may not adopt any health outcome and quality measures that are different
11 from the measures identified by the committee. The measures must take into account the recom-
12 mendations of the metrics and scoring subcommittee created in ORS 414.638 and the differences in
13 the populations served by coordinated care organizations and by commercial insurers.

14 (d) In identifying health outcome and quality measures, the committee shall prioritize measures
15 that:

16 (A) Utilize existing state and national health outcome and quality measures, including measures
17 adopted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, that have been adopted or endorsed
18 by other state or national organizations and have a relevant state or national benchmark;

19 (B) Given the context in which each measure is applied, are not prone to random variations
20 based on the size of the denominator;

21 (C) Utilize existing data systems, to the extent practicable, for reporting the measures to mini-
22 mize redundant reporting and undue burden on the state, health benefit plans and health care pro-
23 viders;

24 (D) Can be meaningfully adopted for a minimum of three years;

25 (E) Use a common format in the collection of the data and facilitate the public reporting of the
26 data; and

27 (F) Can be reported in a timely manner and without significant delay so that the most current
28 and actionable data is available.

29 (e) The committee shall evaluate on a regular and ongoing basis the health outcome and quality
30 measures adopted under this section.

31 (f) The committee may convene subcommittees to focus on gaining expertise in particular areas
32 such as data collection, health care research and mental health and substance use disorders in order
33 to aid the committee in the development of health outcome and quality measures. A subcommittee
34 may include stakeholders and staff from the authority, the Department of Human Services, the De-
35 partment of Consumer and Business Services, the Early Learning Council or any other agency staff
36 with the appropriate expertise in the issues addressed by the subcommittee.

37 (g) This subsection does not prevent the authority, the Department of Consumer and Business
38 Services, commercial insurers, the Public Employees' Benefit Board or the Oregon Educators Benefit
39 Board from establishing programs that provide financial incentives to providers for meeting specific
40 health outcome and quality measures adopted by the committee.

41 **(5)(a) The Behavioral Health Committee shall include the following members appointed**
42 **by the Director of the Oregon Health Authority:**

43 **(A) The chairperson of the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee;**

44 **(B) The chairperson of the committee appointed by the board to address health equity,**
45 **if any;**

- 1 (C) A behavioral health director for a coordinated care organization;
- 2 (D) A representative of a community mental health program;
- 3 (E) An individual with expertise in data analysis;
- 4 (F) A member of the Consumer Advisory Council, established under ORS 430.073, that
- 5 represents adults with mental illness;
- 6 (G) A representative of the System of Care Advisory Council established in ORS 418.978;
- 7 (H) A member of the Oversight and Accountability Council, described in section 2, chap-
- 8 ter 2, Oregon Laws 2021 (Ballot Measure 110 (2020)), who represents adults with addictions
- 9 or co-occurring conditions;
- 10 (I) One member representing a system of care, as defined in ORS 418.976;
- 11 (J) One consumer representative;
- 12 (K) One representative of a tribal government;
- 13 (L) One representative of an organization that advocates on behalf of individuals with
- 14 intellectual or developmental disabilities;
- 15 (M) One representative of providers of behavioral health services;
- 16 (N) The director of the division of the authority responsible for behavioral health ser-
- 17 vices, as a nonvoting member;
- 18 (O) The Director of the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission appointed under ORS
- 19 430.220, as a nonvoting member;
- 20 (P) The authority's Medicaid director, as a nonvoting member;
- 21 (Q) A representative of the Department of Human Services, as a nonvoting member; and
- 22 (R) Any other member that the director deems appropriate.
- 23 (b) The board may modify the membership of the committee as needed.
- 24 (c) The division of the authority responsible for behavioral health services and the di-
- 25 rector of the division shall staff the committee.
- 26 (d) The committee, in collaboration with the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee, as
- 27 needed, shall:
- 28 (A) Establish quality metrics for behavioral health services provided by coordinated care
- 29 organizations, health care providers, counties and other government entities; and
- 30 (B) Establish incentives to improve the quality of behavioral health services.
- 31 (e) The quality metrics and incentives shall be designed to:
- 32 (A) Improve timely access to behavioral health care;
- 33 (B) Reduce hospitalizations;
- 34 (C) Reduce overdoses;
- 35 (D) Improve the integration of physical and behavioral health care; and
- 36 (E) Ensure individuals are supported in the least restrictive environment that meets
- 37 their behavioral health needs.
- 38 [(5)] (6) Members of the committees described in subsections (2) to [(4)] (5) of this section who
- 39 are not members of the Oregon Health Policy Board are not entitled to compensation but shall be
- 40 reimbursed from funds available to the board for actual and necessary travel and other expenses
- 41 incurred by them by their attendance at committee meetings, in the manner and amount provided
- 42 in ORS 292.495.
- 43 **SECTION 17.** Section 18 of this 2021 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 414.
- 44 **SECTION 18.** Notwithstanding ORS 414.590:
- 45 (1) Contracts between the Oregon Health Authority and coordinated care organizations

1 **or individual providers for the provision of behavioral health services must align with the**
2 **quality metrics and incentives developed by the Behavioral Health Committee under ORS**
3 **413.017 and contain provisions that ensure that:**

- 4 (a) **Individuals have easy access to needed care;**
- 5 (b) **Services are responsive to individual and community needs; and**
- 6 (c) **Services will lead to meaningful improvement in individuals' lives.**

7 **(2) The authority must provide at least 90 days' notice of changes needed to contracts**
8 **that are necessary to comply with subsection (1) of this section.**

9 **SECTION 19.** ORS 413.032 is amended to read:

10 413.032. (1) The Oregon Health Authority is established. The authority shall:

- 11 (a) Carry out policies adopted by the Oregon Health Policy Board;
- 12 (b) Administer the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated Health Care Delivery System established
13 in ORS 414.570;
- 14 (c) Administer the Oregon Prescription Drug Program;
- 15 (d) Develop the policies for and the provision of publicly funded medical care and medical as-
16 sistance in this state;
- 17 (e) Develop the policies for and the provision of mental health treatment and treatment of ad-
18 dictions;
- 19 (f) Assess, promote and protect the health of the public as specified by state and federal law;
- 20 (g) Provide regular reports to the board with respect to the performance of health services
21 contractors serving recipients of medical assistance, including reports of trends in health services
22 and enrollee satisfaction;
- 23 (h) Guide and support, with the authorization of the board, community-centered health initiatives
24 designed to address critical risk factors, especially those that contribute to chronic disease;
- 25 (i) Be the state Medicaid agency for the administration of funds from Titles XIX and XXI of the
26 Social Security Act and administer medical assistance under ORS chapter 414;
- 27 (j) In consultation with the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, pe-
28 riodically review and recommend standards and methodologies to the Legislative Assembly for:
 - 29 (A) Review of administrative expenses of health insurers;
 - 30 (B) Approval of rates; and
 - 31 (C) Enforcement of rating rules adopted by the Department of Consumer and Business Services;
- 32 (k) Structure reimbursement rates for providers that serve recipients of medical assistance to
33 reward comprehensive management of diseases, quality outcomes and the efficient use of resources
34 and to promote cost-effective procedures, services and programs including, without limitation, pre-
35 ventive health, dental and primary care services, web-based office visits, telephone consultations and
36 telemedicine consultations;
- 37 (L) Guide and support community three-share agreements in which an employer, state or local
38 government and an individual all contribute a portion of a premium for a community-centered health
39 initiative or for insurance coverage;
- 40 (m) Develop, in consultation with the Department of Consumer and Business Services, one or
41 more products designed to provide more affordable options for the small group market;
- 42 (n) Implement policies and programs to expand the skilled, diverse workforce as described in
43 ORS 414.018 (4); and
- 44 (o) Implement a process for collecting the health outcome and quality measure data identified
45 by the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee **and the Behavioral Health Committee** and report

1 the data to the Oregon Health Policy Board.

2 (2) The Oregon Health Authority is authorized to:

3 (a) Create an all-claims, all-payer database to collect health care data and monitor and evaluate
4 health care reform in Oregon and to provide comparative cost and quality information to consumers,
5 providers and purchasers of health care about Oregon's health care systems and health plan net-
6 works in order to provide comparative information to consumers.

7 (b) Develop uniform contracting standards for the purchase of health care, including the fol-
8 lowing:

9 (A) Uniform quality standards and performance measures;

10 (B) Evidence-based guidelines for major chronic disease management and health care services
11 with unexplained variations in frequency or cost;

12 (C) Evidence-based effectiveness guidelines for select new technologies and medical equipment;

13 (D) A statewide drug formulary that may be used by publicly funded health benefit plans; and

14 (E) Standards that accept and consider tribal-based practices for mental health and substance
15 abuse prevention, counseling and treatment for persons who are Native American or Alaska Native
16 as equivalent to evidence-based practices.

17 (3) The enumeration of duties, functions and powers in this section is not intended to be exclu-
18 sive nor to limit the duties, functions and powers imposed on or vested in the Oregon Health Au-
19 thority by ORS 413.006 to 413.042, 415.012 to 415.430 and 741.340 or by other statutes.

20 **SECTION 20.** ORS 414.025 is amended to read:

21 414.025. As used in this chapter and ORS chapters 411 and 413, unless the context or a specially
22 applicable statutory definition requires otherwise:

23 (1)(a) "Alternative payment methodology" means a payment other than a fee-for-services pay-
24 ment, used by coordinated care organizations as compensation for the provision of integrated and
25 coordinated health care and services.

26 (b) "Alternative payment methodology" includes, but is not limited to:

27 (A) Shared savings arrangements;

28 (B) Bundled payments; and

29 (C) Payments based on episodes.

30 (2) "Behavioral health assessment" means an evaluation by a behavioral health clinician, in
31 person or using telemedicine, to determine a patient's need for immediate crisis stabilization.

32 (3) "Behavioral health clinician" means:

33 (a) A licensed psychiatrist;

34 (b) A licensed psychologist;

35 (c) A licensed nurse practitioner with a specialty in psychiatric mental health;

36 (d) A licensed clinical social worker;

37 (e) A licensed professional counselor or licensed marriage and family therapist;

38 (f) A certified clinical social work associate;

39 (g) An intern or resident who is working under a board-approved supervisory contract in a
40 clinical mental health field; or

41 (h) Any other clinician whose authorized scope of practice includes mental health diagnosis and
42 treatment.

43 (4) "Behavioral health crisis" means a disruption in an individual's mental or emotional stability
44 or functioning resulting in an urgent need for immediate outpatient treatment in an emergency de-
45 partment or admission to a hospital to prevent a serious deterioration in the individual's mental or

1 physical health.

2 (5) “Behavioral health home” means a mental health disorder or substance use disorder treat-
3 ment organization, as defined by the Oregon Health Authority by rule, that provides integrated
4 health care to individuals whose primary diagnoses are mental health disorders or substance use
5 disorders.

6 (6) “Category of aid” means assistance provided by the Oregon Supplemental Income Program,
7 aid granted under ORS 411.877 to 411.896 and 412.001 to 412.069 or federal Supplemental Security
8 Income payments.

9 (7) “Community health worker” means an individual who meets qualification criteria adopted
10 by the authority under ORS 414.665 and who:

11 (a) Has expertise or experience in public health;

12 (b) Works in an urban or rural community, either for pay or as a volunteer in association with
13 a local health care system;

14 (c) To the extent practicable, shares ethnicity, language, socioeconomic status and life experi-
15 ences with the residents of the community where the worker serves;

16 (d) Assists members of the community to improve their health and increases the capacity of the
17 community to meet the health care needs of its residents and achieve wellness;

18 (e) Provides health education and information that is culturally appropriate to the individuals
19 being served;

20 (f) Assists community residents in receiving the care they need;

21 (g) May give peer counseling and guidance on health behaviors; and

22 (h) May provide direct services such as first aid or blood pressure screening.

23 (8) “Coordinated care organization” means an organization meeting criteria adopted by the
24 Oregon Health Authority under ORS 414.572.

25 (9) “Dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid” means, with respect to eligibility for enrollment
26 in a coordinated care organization, that an individual is eligible for health services funded by Title
27 XIX of the Social Security Act and is:

28 (a) Eligible for or enrolled in Part A of Title XVIII of the Social Security Act; or

29 (b) Enrolled in Part B of Title XVIII of the Social Security Act.

30 (10)(a) “Family support specialist” means an individual who meets qualification criteria adopted
31 by the authority under ORS 414.665 and who provides supportive services to and has experience
32 parenting a child who:

33 (A) Is a current or former consumer of mental health or addiction treatment; or

34 (B) Is facing or has faced difficulties in accessing education, health and wellness services due
35 to a mental health or behavioral health barrier.

36 (b) A “family support specialist” may be a peer wellness specialist or a peer support specialist.

37 (11) “Global budget” means a total amount established prospectively by the Oregon Health Au-
38 thority to be paid to a coordinated care organization for the delivery of, management of, access to
39 and quality of the health care delivered to members of the coordinated care organization.

40 (12) “Health insurance exchange” or “exchange” means an American Health Benefit Exchange
41 described in 42 U.S.C. 18031, 18032, 18033 and 18041.

42 (13) “Health services” means at least so much of each of the following as are funded by the
43 Legislative Assembly based upon the prioritized list of health services compiled by the Health Evi-
44 dence Review Commission under ORS 414.690:

45 (a) Services required by federal law to be included in the state’s medical assistance program in

1 order for the program to qualify for federal funds;

2 (b) Services provided by a physician as defined in ORS 677.010, a nurse practitioner licensed
3 under ORS 678.375, a behavioral health clinician or other licensed practitioner within the scope of
4 the practitioner's practice as defined by state law, and ambulance services;

5 (c) Prescription drugs;

6 (d) Laboratory and X-ray services;

7 (e) Medical equipment and supplies;

8 (f) Mental health services;

9 (g) Chemical dependency services;

10 (h) Emergency dental services;

11 (i) Nonemergency dental services;

12 (j) Provider services, other than services described in paragraphs (a) to (i), (k), (L) and (m) of
13 this subsection, defined by federal law that may be included in the state's medical assistance pro-
14 gram;

15 (k) Emergency hospital services;

16 (L) Outpatient hospital services; and

17 (m) Inpatient hospital services.

18 (14) "Income" has the meaning given that term in ORS 411.704.

19 (15)(a) "Integrated health care" means care provided to individuals and their families in a pa-
20 tient centered primary care home or behavioral health home by licensed primary care clinicians,
21 behavioral health clinicians and other care team members, working together to address one or more
22 of the following:

23 (A) Mental illness.

24 (B) Substance use disorders.

25 (C) Health behaviors that contribute to chronic illness.

26 (D) Life stressors and crises.

27 (E) Developmental risks and conditions.

28 (F) Stress-related physical symptoms.

29 (G) Preventive care.

30 (H) Ineffective patterns of health care utilization.

31 (b) As used in this subsection, "other care team members" includes but is not limited to:

32 (A) Qualified mental health professionals or qualified mental health associates meeting require-
33 ments adopted by the Oregon Health Authority by rule;

34 (B) Peer wellness specialists;

35 (C) Peer support specialists;

36 (D) Community health workers who have completed a state-certified training program;

37 (E) Personal health navigators; or

38 (F) Other qualified individuals approved by the Oregon Health Authority.

39 (16) "Investments and savings" means cash, securities as defined in ORS 59.015, negotiable in-
40 struments as defined in ORS 73.0104 and such similar investments or savings as the department or
41 the authority may establish by rule that are available to the applicant or recipient to contribute
42 toward meeting the needs of the applicant or recipient.

43 (17) "Medical assistance" means so much of the medical, mental health, preventive, supportive,
44 palliative and remedial care and services as may be prescribed by the authority according to the
45 standards established pursuant to ORS 414.065, including premium assistance and payments made for

1 services provided under an insurance or other contractual arrangement and money paid directly to
2 the recipient for the purchase of health services and for services described in ORS 414.710.

3 (18) "Medical assistance" includes any care or services for any individual who is a patient in
4 a medical institution or any care or services for any individual who has attained 65 years of age
5 or is under 22 years of age, and who is a patient in a private or public institution for mental dis-
6 eases. Except as provided in ORS 411.439 and 411.447, "medical assistance" does not include care
7 or services for a resident of a nonmedical public institution.

8 (19) "Patient centered primary care home" means a health care team or clinic that is organized
9 in accordance with the standards established by the Oregon Health Authority under ORS 414.655
10 and that incorporates the following core attributes:

- 11 (a) Access to care;
- 12 (b) Accountability to consumers and to the community;
- 13 (c) Comprehensive whole person care;
- 14 (d) Continuity of care;
- 15 (e) Coordination and integration of care; and
- 16 (f) Person and family centered care.

17 (20) "Peer support specialist" means any of the following individuals who meet qualification
18 criteria adopted by the authority under ORS 414.665 and who provide supportive services to a cur-
19 rent or former consumer of mental health or addiction treatment:

- 20 (a) An individual who is a current or former consumer of mental health treatment; or
- 21 (b) An individual who is in recovery, as defined by the Oregon Health Authority by rule, from
22 an addiction disorder.

23 (21) "Peer wellness specialist" means an individual who meets qualification criteria adopted by
24 the authority under ORS 414.665 and who is responsible for assessing mental health and substance
25 use disorder service and support needs of a member of a coordinated care organization through
26 community outreach, assisting members with access to available services and resources, addressing
27 barriers to services and providing education and information about available resources for individ-
28 uals with mental health or substance use disorders in order to reduce stigma and discrimination
29 toward consumers of mental health and substance use disorder services and to assist the member
30 in creating and maintaining recovery, health and wellness.

31 (22) "Person centered care" means care that:

- 32 (a) Reflects the individual patient's strengths and preferences;
- 33 (b) Reflects the clinical needs of the patient as identified through an individualized assessment;
34 and
- 35 (c) Is based upon the patient's goals and will assist the patient in achieving the goals.

36 (23) "Personal health navigator" means an individual who meets qualification criteria adopted
37 by the authority under ORS 414.665 and who provides information, assistance, tools and support to
38 enable a patient to make the best health care decisions in the patient's particular circumstances and
39 in light of the patient's needs, lifestyle, combination of conditions and desired outcomes.

40 (24) "Prepaid managed care health services organization" means a managed dental care, mental
41 health or chemical dependency organization that contracts with the authority under ORS 414.654
42 or with a coordinated care organization on a prepaid capitated basis to provide health services to
43 medical assistance recipients.

44 (25) "Quality measure" means the health outcome and quality measures and benchmarks identi-
45 fied by the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee and the metrics and scoring subcommittee in

1 accordance with ORS 413.017 (4) and 414.638 **and the quality metrics developed by the Behav-**
2 **ioral Health Committee in accordance with ORS 413.017 (5).**

3 (26) “Resources” has the meaning given that term in ORS 411.704. For eligibility purposes, “re-
4 sources” does not include charitable contributions raised by a community to assist with medical
5 expenses.

6 (27)(a) “Youth support specialist” means an individual who meets qualification criteria adopted
7 by the authority under ORS 414.665 and who, based on a similar life experience, provides supportive
8 services to an individual who:

9 (A) Is not older than 30 years of age; and

10 (B)(i) Is a current or former consumer of mental health or addiction treatment; or

11 (ii) Is facing or has faced difficulties in accessing education, health and wellness services due
12 to a mental health or behavioral health barrier.

13 (b) A “youth support specialist” may be a peer wellness specialist or a peer support specialist.
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15 **REPORTS TO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

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17 **SECTION 21. (1) No later than November 1, 2021, the Oregon Health Authority shall re-**
18 **port to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245:**

19 (a) **Any changes needed to contracts with counties, coordinated care organizations, pro-**
20 **viders or community based organizations to comply with the quality metrics and incentives**
21 **developed by the Behavioral Health Committee in accordance with ORS 413.017; and**

22 (b) **Recommendations to improve the referral process for all levels of care delivered by**
23 **intensive behavioral treatment providers, as defined in ORS 430.717.**

24 (2) **No later than December 31, 2021, the Oregon Health Authority shall report to the**
25 **Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245:**

26 (a) **Identified barriers, including legislative changes or changes to the demonstration**
27 **project under section 1115 of the Social Security Act, that are needed to apply the quality**
28 **metrics and incentives developed by the committee to contracts with coordinated care or-**
29 **ganizations and counties;**

30 (b) **The authority’s specific needs for data infrastructure to implement the quality met-**
31 **rics and incentives and recommendations for facilitating risk-sharing agreements within the**
32 **health care delivery system to achieve the goals of the quality metrics; and**

33 (c) **Recommendations for counties to share in the costs of a hospitalization at the Oregon**
34 **State Hospital for a patient beginning 30 days after a county is notified that the patient no**
35 **longer needs hospital level care.**

36 (3) **No later than December 1, 2022, the Oregon Health Authority shall report to the in-**
37 **terim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to mental or behavioral health, in the**
38 **manner provided in ORS 192.245 the findings of the study under section 4 of this 2021 Act**
39 **and recommendations for future rate development.**
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41 **IMPLEMENTATION DEADLINES**

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43 **SECTION 22. (1) The Behavioral Health Committee shall develop the quality metrics and**
44 **incentives described in ORS 413.017 no later than February 1, 2022.**

45 (2) **No later than January 1, 2023, the Oregon Health Authority shall amend contracts for**

1 the provision of behavioral health services to align with the quality metrics and incentives
2 developed by the Behavioral Health Committee under ORS 413.017.

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4 **CAPTIONS**

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6 **SECTION 23.** The unit captions used in this 2021 Act are provided only for the conven-
7 ience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any
8 legislative intent in the enactment of this 2021 Act.

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10 **REPEALS**

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12 **SECTION 24.** (1) Section 3 of this 2021 Act is repealed on June 30, 2023.

13 (2) Section 4 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.

14 (3) Section 7 of this 2021 Act is repealed on June 30, 2022.

15 (4) Section 14 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.

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17 **EMERGENCY CLAUSE**

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19 **SECTION 25.** This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
20 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect
21 on its passage.

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