12 GOALS OF THE OREGON HEALTH FUND

"The intent of the Healthy Oregon Act is to develop an Oregon Health Fund program comprehensive plan, based upon the principles set forth in section 3 of this 2007 Act, that meets the intended goals of the program…."

(1) Cover the current uninsured population in Oregon through the expansion of the state Medicaid program, the Oregon State Children's Health Insurance Program and the Family Health Insurance Assistance Program

(2) Reform the health care delivery system to maximize federal and other public resources without compromising proven programs supported by federal law that ensure to vulnerable populations access to efficient and high quality care;

(3) Ensure that all Oregonians have timely access to and participate in a health benefit plan that provides high quality, effective, safe, patient-centered, evidence-based and affordable health care delivered at the lowest cost;

(4) Develop a method to finance the coverage of a defined set of essential health services for Oregonians that is not necessarily tied directly to employment;

(5) Allow the potential for employees, employers, individuals and unions to participate in the program, or to purchase primary coverage or offer, purchase or bargain for coverage of benefits beyond the defined set of essential health services;

(6) Allow for a system of public and private health care partnerships that integrate public involvement and oversight, consumer choice and competition within the health care market;

(7) Use proven models of health care benefits, service delivery and payments that control costs and over utilization, with emphasis on preventive care and chronic disease management using evidence-based outcomes and a health benefit model that promotes a primary care medical home;

(8) Provide services for dignified end-of-life care;

(9) Restructure the health care system so that payments for services are fair and proportionate among various populations, health care programs and providers;

(10) Fund a high quality and transparent health care delivery system that will be held to high standards of transparency and accountability and allows users and purchasers to know what they are receiving for their money;

(11) Ensure that funding for health care is equitable and affordable for all Oregon residents, especially the uninsured; and

(12) Ensure, to the greatest extent possible, that annual inflation in the cost of providing access to essential health care services does not exceed the increase in the cost of living for the previous calendar year, based on the Portland-Salem, OR-WA, Consumer Price Index. for All Urban Consumers for All Items, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor.