



**2010** marks the 25-year anniversary of School-Based Health Centers in Oregon! The Oregon State Legislature committed to addressing youth health care needs in 1985, with the first SBHC in Oregon opening at Roosevelt High School in Portland in 1986.

SBHCs have grown substantially during the past 25 years and continue to engage communities as a public-private partnership model that works to improve access to care for children and adolescents.

## What is an SBHC?

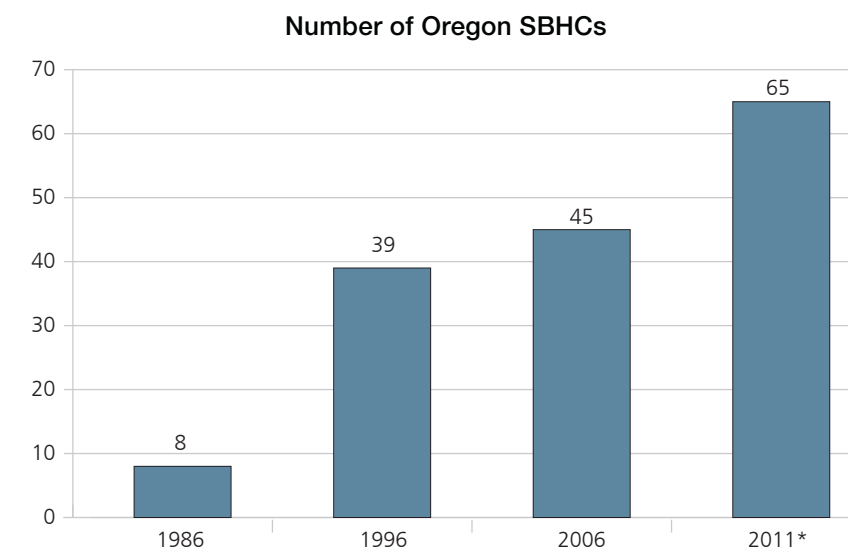
Oregon's School-Based Health Centers (SBHCs) represent a unique health care model for comprehensive physical, mental and preventive health services provided to children and adolescents, regardless of their ability to pay. They are located on school grounds and are open when the kids are in school.

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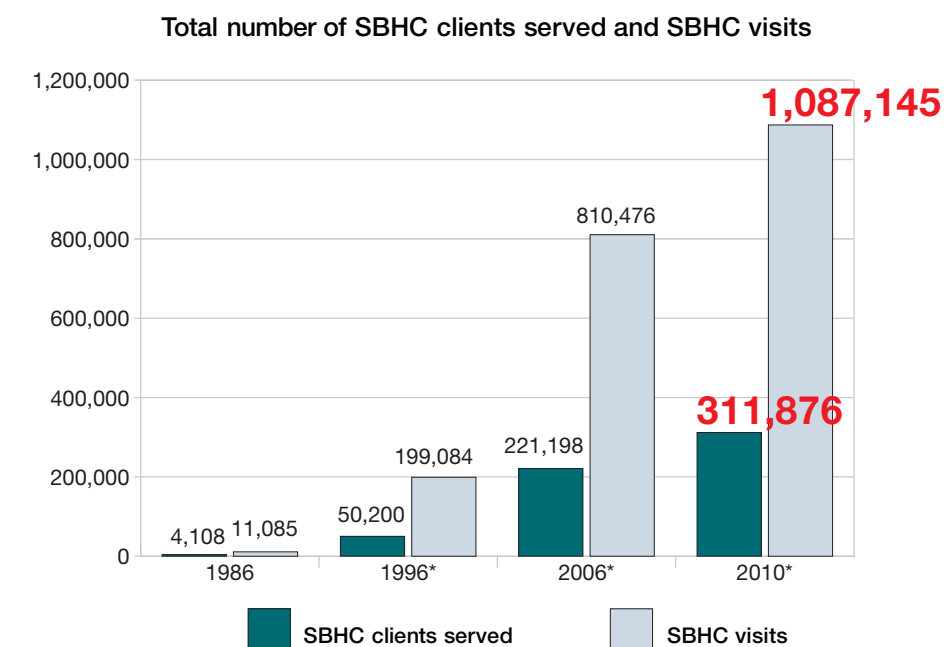
- Provide accessible health care services to students,
- Are recognized as part of the safety net system, providing services to those who otherwise would not get care,
- Provide preventive health care services, in addition to physical and mental health care,
- Support the educational mission and families.

"I'm continually impressed with how Public Health's investment in School-Based Health Centers has created a model that resonates with nearly everyone who comes in contact with one. Youth use and like them and parents feel supported. Schools and communities tell us they fill the gap and meet the needs of their students. And for policymakers, they just make good sense."

-Robert J. Nystrom, Oregon Public Health Division,  
Adolescent Health Section Manager



\* Includes 10 planning sites that are expected to be certified by spring 2011.



\* Missing data from 1990-91 and 1995-96 school years



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## School-Based Health Centers



**YEARS OF INNOVATION**  
1985–2010





Historical Timeline

Early 80s

Dr. Philip Porter, from Harvard University’s Division of Health Policy Research and Education, presents at Oregon’s “Annual New Approaches” Conference on the concept of School-Based Health Care.

1985

The Oregon Legislature makes a commitment to address health care needs of underserved youth by funding SBHCs.

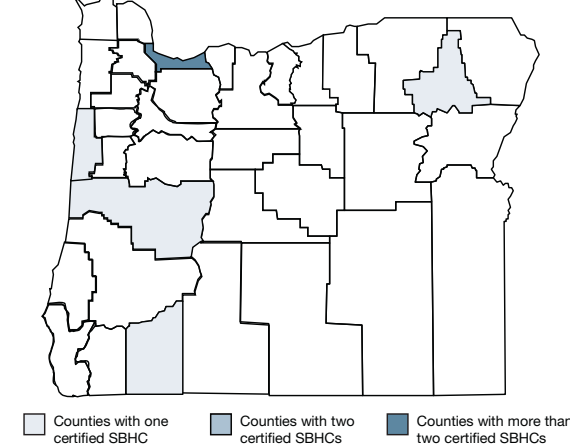
1986

In February 1986, the first SBHC opens at Roosevelt High School in Portland.

1987

By the end of 1987 there are a total of eight SBHCs in five Oregon counties.

Oregon School-Based Health Centers - 1987  
8 SBHCs in 5 counties



1988

Oregon is recognized by Dr. Porter in the *Healthy Children Report - Oregon Pioneers for Children* as leading the nation with eight SBHCs through collaborative efforts from state, county, school and community partners.

The Council of State Governments awards Oregon its Innovations Award for its SBHC program.

1991

State budget is cut, which results in reduced funding for state-funded SBHCs.

Office of Children and Family Health, Oregon Health Division, convenes the first SBHC Coordinator’s meeting in Eugene, Oregon.

SBHCs expand to 18 in nine counties.

1993

SBHC communities organize and advocate to Oregon legislators to support SBHCs. The Legislature decides to increase SBHC funding.

Oregon Health Division holds the first SBHC Networking Conference, which leads to the concept of a state network with by-laws and membership to inform public policy and advocate for health services for kids.

1994

State Program Office develops state SBHC logo.

Oregon Health Division awarded a six-year Robert Wood Johnson grant. Grant allowed for :

- Partial funding of new centers;
- Program staff to focus on statewide policy and defining the model;
- Development of SBHC standards;
- Development of data collection and reporting systems;
- Conceptualizing a state funding model;
- Development and refinement of core SBHC messages.

1995

Oregon SBHCs becomes part of the formal definition of the safety net.

State Program Office begins statewide collection of medical encounter data.

Oregon is one of nine states selected to have SBHC participation in the American Medical Association Guidelines for Adolescent Preventive Services training and data collection.

By the end of 1995, there are 29 SBHC in 13 counties.

1996

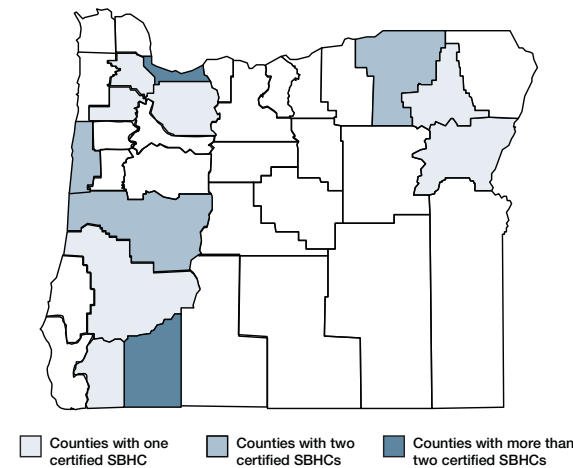
Oregon School-Based Health Care Network (OSBHCN) formally organizes to become a charter state chapter of the National Assembly on School-Based Health Care (NASBHC).

There are a total of 39 SBHCs open and providing services during the 1996-97 school year.

1997

State Program Office publishes “Adolescents report their need for and use of health care services” in the 1997, Volume 21, edition of the Journal of Adolescent Health.

Oregon School-Based Health Centers - 1997  
30 SBHCs in 12 counties



2000

Establishment of Adolescent Health Section in the Office of Family Health, which houses the School-Based Health Center Program.

Implementation of State Standards for Certification, which:

- Emphasizes best practice;
- Decreases site-to-site variability;
- Increases ability to study clinical outcomes;
- Increases potential for insurance reimbursement.

State Program Office begins the collection of annual SBHC Patient Satisfaction Surveys.

By the end of 2000, there are 44 SBHCs in 13 counties.

2001

Robert Wood Johnson grant ends and the Oregon Legislature allocates \$1 million to maintain the six Robert Wood Johnson Foundation centers and funds the State Program Office.

2003

Due to state budget cuts, state funding for SBHCs and the State Program Office are eliminated. Results in reduction of hours and staffing at many and full closure of others. In addition, the State Program Office experiences layoffs.

Legislature restores SBHC Program and funding in August 2003 (at 2001 level) to a total of about \$2.6 million.

2004

Funding workgroup convenes to improve equity in funding distribution.

State Program Office publishes “Oregon School-Based Health Centers: A Descriptive Analysis of a Patient Satisfaction Survey” in the 2004 special issue of Californian Journal of Health Promotion.

2005

SBHC State Program Office received \$500,000 for expansion of centers.

New funding formula is put into effect. Funding is based on a range formula determined by the number of SBHCs certified in the county.

SBHC funds are distributed to Local Public Health Authorities, who determine the best use of local funds to support SBHCs.

The 2005 statewide public opinion survey shows that Oregonians overwhelmingly agree that all the major health services provided by SBHC in Oregon are important.

NASBHC awards two Oregonians with the “Volunteer of the Decade.”

2006

NASBHC holds their annual SBHC Convention in Portland, Oregon.

State Program Office presents poster on the SBHC Patient Satisfaction Survey results at NASBHC Convention.

2007

State Program Office presents poster on initial results of Oregon SBHC mental health needs assessment at NASBHC Convention.

Oregon Legislature allocates \$2 million for.

- Up to 18 planning sites in expansion.
- Two new State Program positions.
- Twenty percent increase to funding formula base.

There are 45 certified SBHCs in 19 counties.

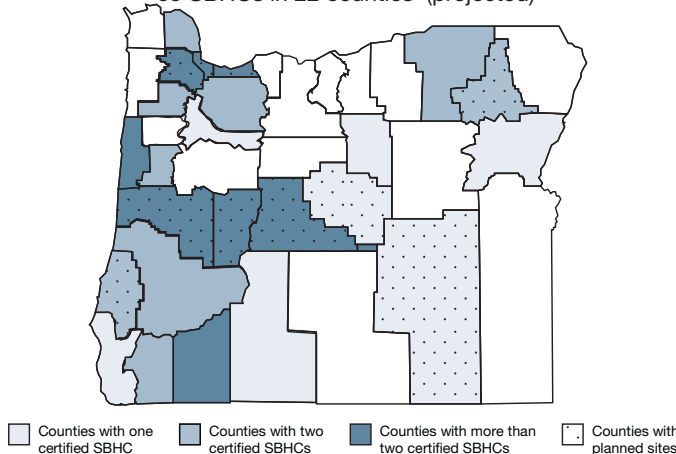
2008

State Program Office publishes “Planning and Sustaining a School-Based Health Center: Cost and Revenue Findings from Oregon” in the Nov/Dec 2008 edition of Public Health Reports.

State Program Office lead sessions on Adolescent Brain Development and Oregon SBHC data collection at NASBHC Convention and presents poster on Oregon SBHC mental health needs assessment.

State Program Office presents poster on disparities and unmet needs among adolescents at Society of Adolescent Medicine conference.

Oregon School-Based Health Centers - 2011  
65 SBHCs in 22 counties (projected)



2009

Oregon Legislature expands SBHC funding by \$1.38 million.

Funding formula workgroup convenes to (1) revisit how State General Fund dollars support the overall mission of SBHCs in Oregon and establish funding principles; (2) examine the effectiveness of the current funding formula in the present times; and (3) explore other funding formula models to improve sustainability and expansion efforts.

A new funding formula is implemented July 1, 2009, which is no longer based on ranges.

There are 54 centers in 20 counties.

Fourteen communities with Phase I SBHC planning funds.

***A youth, somewhere in Oregon, becomes the one millionth visitor to an SBHC!***

2010

Governor Kulongoski declares February 2010 School-Based Health Care month.

State Program Office partners with the Oregon School-Based Health Care Network and Washington SBHCs to form a northwest regional training team through the guidance and training of the NASBHC Partnership Initiative.

State Program Office presents two posters on the Certification process and Planning Grant process at the annual NASBHC Convention in Washington, DC.

State Program Office publishes “Health Service Integration in Oregon School-Based Health Centers: Meeting the Mental Health Needs of Young People” in the April 2010 edition of Advances in School Mental Health Promotion.

There are 55 certified SBHCs in 20 counties.

Ten communities are in their second year of planning and expected to be state-certified by spring 2011.