
Sustainable Health Expenditures Workgroup Review of Directive and Deliverables for the Oregon Health Policy Board

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Process Overview

- Governor's 2013 letter to OHPB
- OHPB strategies in response
- Chartered Sustainable Healthcare Expenditures Workgroup
- SHEW work plan and deliverables to OHPB

Governor's June 3, 2013 Letter

Addressed to the OHPB Chair and Vice Chair:

“I want to ensure that our triple aim goals of lower costs, better care and better health across all markets are achieved. To that end, concurrent with the ACA, we have an opportunity to create an environment for the commercial marketplace in Oregon that moves towards one characterized by models of coordinated care and growth rates of total health expenditures that are reasonable and predictable.”

OHPB Response – Strategies & Actions

- Strategy 2: Move the marketplace toward a sustainable and fixed rate of growth
 - Goals of this strategy include improve affordability and sustainability of health care coverage and improve Oregon’s economic climate by measuring the true cost of the health care system.
 - By December 2014, a sustainable rate of growth methodology is endorsed, measurement begins and potential accountability mechanisms are recommended.

SHEW Work Plan Review

- In April 2014 asked by OHPB to focus exclusively on technical aspects of calculation
- Conducted 5 meetings from May – November 2014
- Engaged John McConnell, PhD of OHSU CHSE to lead methodology and preliminary calculation work
- Examined statewide expenditure efforts in other states including Massachusetts, Vermont, and Maryland
- October 2014 consensus reached on calculation methodology
- Present finalized recommendations to OHPB December 2014

SHEW RECOMMENDATIONS

Guiding Principles:

- Transparency
- Accuracy
- Feasibility

SHEW RECOMMENDATIONS

Document the following by the end of today's meeting:

- Methodology for calculating statewide total health expenditures
 - Components defined
- Detailed listing of excluded items
- Data gaps identified
- Potential areas of improvement
- Timeframe for calculation
 - i.e. multiple years, 2012-2014
 - Annual calculation

SHEW RECOMMENDATIONS - Continued

Document the following by the end of today's meeting:

- Next steps
 - Complete/refine calculation
 - Further validation
 - Expand levels and types of expenditures to review
 - Timelines
- Utilization and purpose of calculation
 - Trending
 - Benchmarking and setting of targets
 - Intended audiences
 - Accountability mechanism
 - Phasing