October 31, 2026

Dear Legislative Leaders,

This report was approved by the Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC), in fulfillment of ORS 414.694, which requires HERC to report to the interim committees related to recommended changes to the coverage described in ORS 743A.067. HERC does not recommend any changes to this statute because existing law supports coverage of the relevant health services.

Rationale

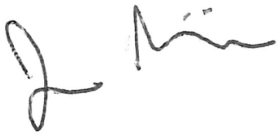
ORS 743A.067, enacted under House Bill 3391 (2017), includes a list of preventive reproductive health and other services to be provided without cost sharing to people insured under state-regulated health plans. This statute lists a comprehensive set of reproductive and reproduction-related health services, including services related to pregnancy, family planning, prevention of intimate partner violence, and prevention of sexually transmitted infections. In addition, it includes “Any additional preventive services for women that must be covered without cost sharing under 42 U.S.C. 300gg-13, as identified by the United States Preventive Services Task Force or the Health Resources and Services Administration of the United States Department of Health and Human Services as of January 1, 2017.” A separate law (ORS 743A.262) also references the services required to be covered in 42 U.S.C. 300gg-13 as of January 1, 2023, and requires that they be covered by state-regulated health plans without cost sharing except as allowed by federal law.

In addition, ORS 414.432 (House Bill 3391) created a program covering the services listed in ORS 743A.067(2) for individuals who can become pregnant and who would otherwise be eligible for medical assistance if not for federal law excluding certain immigrants from medical assistance programs (8 U.S.C. 1611 and 1612).

Before November 1 of each even numbered year, ORS 414.694 requires the Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC) to report to the legislature on recommended changes to the coverage listed in ORS 743A.067(2).

After review of statute and recent federal guidance, the most important preventive services for women are currently required to be covered by Oregon state-regulated insurance plans without cost sharing by ORS 743A.067(2) and ORS 743A.262. Thus, HERC recommends no changes to statute.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Health Evidence Review Commission,



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