## Health Care Market Oversight

# **Mid-Columbia Medical Center Deal with Adventist**

The <u>Health Care Market Oversight</u> (HCMO) program reviews heath care business deals to make sure they support statewide goals related to cost, equity, access, and quality. After finishing a review, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) decides whether a business deal, or transaction, should proceed. On January 24, 2023 OHA accepted a completed <u>notice</u> from Adventist Health describing plans for Adventist to purchase Mid-Columbia Medical Center.

### Who's involved?

**Mid-Columbia Medical Center (MCMC)** operates a community hospital, a cancer center, and 22 health care clinics in and around The Dalles, Oregon. MCMC serves communities on both the Oregon and Washington sides of the Columbia River, including Wasco, Sherman, Jefferson, and Gilliam counties. MCMC is a non-profit organization.

**Adventist Health (Adventist)** is a non-profit, faith-based health system headquartered in California and serving communities in California, Hawaii, Oregon, and Washington. Adventist operates two hospitals, 27 medical clinics, home care, and hospice services in Oregon.

#### About the deal

Through this business deal, Adventist will become the new owner of MCMC. In the notice, Adventist says that MCMC will continue to provide its existing health care services, including reproductive health care. Adventist plans to invest \$100 million in MCMC over ten years to improve facilities, recruit more doctors and expand clinic services. The notice states that Adventist will continue and enhance resources to assist patients who cannot afford to pay. Adventist and MCMC expect that the deal will provide better access to services and improved health outcomes for the community.

#### What's next?

OHA will conduct a 30-day review of the deal to understand how it could affect the cost and quality of health care, access to services, and health equity. During the review, OHA will use health care data, news and media reports, information from the companies, and input from the public to decide whether the deal should be approved.

#### We want to hear from you!

Public input is crucial to OHA's review! Your feedback can help us understand how this business deal could help or harm people in your community. To share your thoughts and feedback, please email <u>hcmo.info@oha.oregon.gov</u> by **February 8, 2023**. In your email, include the words "MCMC", what you think, and whether you support or oppose the deal.

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