

Progress Report from Oregon Health Fund Board

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SB 329 Requirement:

- The Board shall report to the Legislative Assembly on the progress in developing a comprehensive plan to:
 - Decrease the number of children and adults without health insurance;
 - Ensure universal access to health care;
 - Contain health care costs; and
 - Address issues regarding the quality of health care services.

The Oregon Health Fund Board:

- Bill Thorndike, Chair
 - Medford
- Jonathan Ater, Vice Chair
 - Portland
- Eileen Brady, Vice Chairwoman
 - Portland
- Tom Chamberlain
 - Salem/Portland
- Chuck Hofmann, MD
 - Baker City
- Ray Miao
 - Bend
- Marcus Mundy
 - Portland

OHFB Meeting Schedule:

- October 2
- October 30
- November 6
- December 12
- January 15
- February 19
- March 20
- April 24
- May: 2 meetings
- June: 2 meetings
- July: 1 meeting
- August: 1 meeting
- September: TBD
- October: 2 meetings
- November: 1 meeting

OHFB Committees:

- Benefits (14)
 - Susan King, Chair
 - Somnath Saha, MD
 - Nina Stratton
- Delivery System (19)
 - Dick Stenson, Chair
 - Maribeth Healey
 - Doug Walta, MD
- Eligibility & Enrollment (15)
 - Ellen Lowe, Chair
 - Jim Russell
- Federal Laws (11)
 - Frank Baumeister, MD, Chair
 - Ellen Gradison
- Finance (17)
 - Kerry Barnett, Chair
 - John Worcester
- Health Equities (16)
 - Ella Booth, PhD, Chair
 - Joe Finkbonner
 - Tricia Tillman, MPH

Benefits Committee:

- Recommendations
 - for defining a set of essential health services that would be available to all Oregonians under a comprehensive reform plan.

Delivery System Committee:

- Recommendations
 - for strategies to create a high performance health system that contains the rate of cost growth and improves quality, efficiency, value & safety.

Eligibility & Enrollment Committee:

- Recommendations
 - on eligibility requirements, outreach & enrollment procedures & affordability standards.

Federal Laws Committee:

- Recommendations
 - regarding the impact of federal policies that impede Oregon from achieving the goals of the Healthy Oregon Act.

Finance Committee:

- Recommendations
 - for strategies to finance a comprehensive plan to expand access to uninsured Oregonians;
 - on the structure & functions of a health insurance exchange in a reformed market.

Health Equities Committee:

- Recommendations
 - for multicultural strategies for outreach, eligibility & enrollment procedures;
 - to reduce health disparities through delivery system reform and benefit design.

Timetable

- Feb – Apr
 - Committees at work
- May – Jul
 - Board develops draft report
- Aug – Sep
 - Public meetings & comment
- Oct
 - Revise & finalize

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