

DATE: March 11, 2026

TO: Hearing Attendees and Commenters –  
Oregon Administrative Rules chapter 333, division 28 –  
“Update to the School-Based Health Center (SBHC) certification  
process and requirements”

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SUBJECT: Presiding Hearing Officer’s Report on Rulemaking Hearing and Public  
Comment Report

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**Date of Hearing:** March 10, 2026, via Microsoft Teams

**Purpose of Hearing:** The purpose of this hearing was to receive testimony regarding the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Public Health Division’s proposed permanent amendments to Oregon Administrative Rules relating to School-Based Health Center (SBHC) certification requirements.

The SBHC Program supports communities to promote the health and well-being of school-age populations through evidence-based best practice within a public health framework. These rules (OAR 333-028-0220 through 333-028-0260) outline the procedure and criteria the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) shall use to certify, suspend and decertify SBHCs. Certification of a SBHC by the SBHC Program is voluntary; a SBHC is free to choose not to participate in certification and still operate. Only certified SBHCs are eligible for funding from the OHA.

Requirements for certified SBHCs are currently outlined in the SBHC Standards for Certification, Version 4 (2017). Beginning in 2022, the SBHC Program convened

youth, SBHC staff, partner agencies, and community members in a multi-year modernization process to reexamine the Standards for Certification, Version 4. This extensive engagement process functioned to (1) identify and address any areas in need of clarification; (2) update sections to align with current best practice; and (3) continue to adapt the Standards for Certification to support operations and advance quality healthcare in a school setting. The engagement process produced a revised Standards for Certification, Version 5, which will go into effect July 1, 2026. The SBHC rules (OAR 333-028-0220 through 333-028-0260) need to be revised alongside the implementation of the new Standards structure and content.

**Hearing Officer:** Brittany Hall

**Testimony Received:** No individuals provided testimony at the hearing.

**Other Comments:** No individuals or organizations submitted written comments to OHA within the period allotted for public comment, which closed at 5:00 PM on March 10, 2026.

**Summary of Comments and Agency Responses:** None

**Agency Response:** None