

Program Element #44: School-Based Health Centers (SBHC)

OHA Program Responsible for Program Element:

Public Health Division/Center for Prevention & Health Promotion/ Adolescent Health, ScreenWise & Reproductive Health

1. **Description.** Funds provided under this Agreement for this Program Element may only be used in accordance with, and subject to, the requirements and limitations set forth below, to deliver School-Based Health Centers (SBHC) Services. SBHC Services must only be used to support activities related to planning, oversight, maintenance, administration, operation, and delivery of services within one or more SBHC as required by OHA's SBHC funding formula.

Many school-aged youth do not routinely access preventive health care services due to barriers such as insurance, cost, transportation and concerns around confidentiality. According to the 2022 Oregon Student Health Survey, about 39% of both 8th and 11th graders said they had not seen a doctor or nurse for a check-up in the past year. SBHCs provide physical, mental and preventive health services to all students regardless of their ability to pay at an easily accessible location for students and families.

This Program Element and all changes to this Program Element are effective the first day of the month noted in the Issue Date of Exhibit C Financial Assistance Award unless otherwise noted in Comments and Footnotes of the Exhibit C of the Financial Assistance Award.

2. **Definitions Specific to School-Based Health Centers.**

- a. **Biennium:** June 1 to June 30 of the specified years as set forth on the first page of this Agreement.
- b. **Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Services:** means the provision of effective, equitable, understandable and respectful quality care and services that are responsive to diverse cultural health beliefs and practices, preferred languages, health literacy and other communication needs.
- c. **School-Based Health Center ("SBHC"):** has the meaning given the term in ORS 413.225
- d. **SBHC Standards for Certification:** In order to be certified as a SBHC, a SBHC must meet all requirements for certification in the SBHC Standards for Certification. SBHC Standards for Certification, Version 4 are found at:
<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HEALTHYPEOPLEFAMILIES/YOUTH/HEALTHSCHOOL/SCHOOLBASEDHEALTHCENTERS/Documents/SBHC%20Certification/SBHCstandardsforcertificationV4.pdf>

3. **Alignment with Modernization Foundational Programs and Foundational Capabilities.** The activities and services that the LPHA has agreed to deliver under this Program Element align with Foundational Programs and Foundational Capabilities and the public health accountability metrics (if applicable), as follows (see Public Health Modernization Manual at:
https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/ABOUT/TASKFORCE/Documents/public_health_modernization_manual.pdf):

- a. **Foundational Programs and Capabilities** (As specified in Public Health Modernization Manual)

Program Components	Foundational Program	Foundational Capabilities
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	CD Control	Prevention and health promotion	Environmental health	Population Health	Access to clinical preventive services Direct services	Leadership and organizational competencies	Health equity and cultural responsiveness	Community Partnership Development	Assessment and Epidemiology	Policy & Planning	Communications	Emergency Preparedness and Response
Asterisk (*) = Primary foundational program that aligns with each component X = Other applicable foundational programs						X = Foundational capabilities that align with each component						
SBHC Standards for Certification Compliance	X	X		X	*	X	X	X	X	X		
Mental Health Expansion Grants		X		X	*	X	X	X	X	X		
School-Linked Telehealth Grant		X		X	*	X	X	X	X	X		

- b. The work in this Program Element helps Oregon’s governmental public health system achieve the following Public Health Accountability Metrics, Health Outcome Indicators:

Not applicable

- c. The work in this Program Element helps Oregon’s governmental public health system achieve the following Public Health Accountability Metrics, LPHA Process Measures:

Not applicable

4. **Procedural and Operational Requirements.** By accepting and using the Financial Assistance awarded under this Agreement and for this Program Element, LPHA agrees to conduct activities in accordance with the following requirements:

- Use funds provided under this Agreement for SBHC Services only to support activities related to planning, oversight, maintenance, administration, operation, and delivery of services within one or more SBHC as required by OHA’s SBHC funding formula.
- Deliver all SBHC Services in accordance with OAR Chapter 333, Division 28, a copy of which is accessible on the Internet at <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayDivisionRules.action?selectedDivision=1243>
- The SBHC Standards for Certification, Version 4 including administrative, operations and reporting guidance, and minimum standards and requirements in the areas of: Certification Process, Sponsoring Agency, Facility, Operations/Staffing, Comprehensive Pediatric Care, Data Collection/Reporting, and Billing.
- Provide oversight and technical assistance so that each SBHC in the LPHA’s jurisdiction meets SBHC Certification Requirements as set forth in OAR 333-028-0220.
- Assure to OHA that all certification documentation and subsequent follow-up items are completed by the requested date(s) in accordance with the OHA’s certification review cycle as set forth in OAR 333-028-0230.

- f. This Section 4.f. is only applicable to LPHA if LPHA is selected to receive a Mental Health Expansion Grant from OHA. LPHA agrees to conduct Mental Health Expansion Grant activities in accordance with the following requirements:
- (1) Use funds provided under this Agreement to support mental health staff capacity (FTE) within the school-based health center system. Funding can be used to support multiple positions within each SBHC. Funding must be used to provide Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Health Services that are inclusive and welcoming for youth from diverse backgrounds.
 - (2) Use funds in compliance with the full list of SBHC Mental Health Expansion Grant award requirements that are posted on the OHA website:
<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HEALTHYPEOPLEFAMILIES/YOUTH/HEALTHSCHOOL/SCHOOLBASEDHEALTHCENTERS/Pages/mh-expansion-grant.aspx>
- g. This Section 4.g. is only applicable to LPHA if LPHA is selected to receive a School-Linked Telehealth Grant from OHA. LPHA agrees to conduct School-Linked Telehealth Grant activities in accordance with the following requirements:
- (1) SBHC must be the distant site (i.e., where the provider is located) that provides telehealth in originating sites (i.e., where the patient is receiving the telehealth service) that are schools without SBHCs as outlined in HB 2591 (Chapter 619, Or Laws, 2021).
 - (2) Funds provided under this Agreement must be used to support a School-Linked Telehealth Pilot Project by:
 - (a) Supporting staffing, the purchase of technical equipment, costs associated with conducting a needs assessment, and/or supporting technical assistance related to School-Linked Telehealth Pilot planning and operations; and
 - (b) Supporting increased school nurse capacity and offsetting costs incurred by the school district/educational service district's participation in the pilot project.
 - (3) LPHA must participate in monthly technical assistance or learning collaborative calls with other School-Linked Telehealth Grantees and engage in evaluation planning and data collection with the OHA SBHC State Program Office (SPO).
- h. This Section 4.h. is only applicable to LPHA if LPHA is selected to receive one-time funding from OHA. OHA occasionally provides one-time grant funding to support activities related to planning, oversight, maintenance, administration, operation, and delivery of services within one or more SBHCs. LPHA will be notified when these one-time grant funding opportunities become available.
- (1) If one-time only funding becomes available, OHA will issue one-time funding guidance and LPHA may submit an application outlining activities, timeline and budget. The application is subject to approval by the OHA School-Based Health Center program.
 - (2) If LPHA is awarded one-time grant funds, it will fulfill all activities and use funds in accordance with funding guidance and OHA-approved application and submit reports as prescribed by OHA.

5. **General Revenue and Expense Reporting.** LPHA must complete an "Oregon Health Authority Public Health Division Expenditure and Revenue Report" located in Exhibit C of this Agreement each quarter of the Agreement. A separate report must be filed for each applicable Program Element and any sub-elements. These reports must be submitted to OHA each quarter on the following schedule:

Fiscal Quarter	Due Date
First: July 1 – September 30	October 30

Second: October 1 – December 31	January 30
Third: January 1 – March 31	April 30
Fourth: April 1 – June 30	August 20

6. Program Reporting Requirements.

- a. LPHA must submit client encounter data in a form acceptable to OHA and in accordance with the SBHC Standards for Certification two times a year, no later than January 31 for the previous calendar year (July 1 – Dec 31) and no later than July 15 for the preceding service year (July 1 – June 30).
- b. LPHA must submit annual SBHC financial data via the SPO's online Operational Profile in the form acceptable to OHA no later than October 1 for the preceding service year (July 1-June 30).
- c. LPHA must submit annual hours of operation and staffing via the SPO's online Operational Profile in the form acceptable to OHA no later than October 1 for the current service year.
- d. LPHA must complete the triennial School-Based Health Alliance SBHC Census Survey. Current SBHC Census Survey timeline and details can be found at <http://www.sbh4all.org/>
- e. If LPHA received a Mental Health Expansion Grant from OHA, LPHA must track data related to mental health encounters as outlined in the SBHC Standards for Certification.
- f. If LPHA received a Mental Health Expansion Grant from OHA, LPHA must participate in check-in meetings with the SPO and submit annual narrative grant reports. OHA will work with the LPHA to schedule calls and supply the due date and required format for the reports.
- g. If LPHA received a School-Linked Telehealth Grant, LPHA must submit a mid-project report and a final project report. OHA will work with the LPHA to supply the due date and required format for the reports.

7. Performance Measures.

Not applicable