

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

OHA Program Responsible for Program Element:

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

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 2019 Oregon Healthy Teens Survey, approximately 66% of 11th graders and 63% of 8th graders reported having not seen a doctor or nurse for a check-up in the last 12 months. 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 section of Exhibit C of the Financial Assistance Award unless otherwise noted in Comments and Footnotes of Exhibit C of the Financial Assistance Award.

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

Biennium: June 1 to June 30 of the specified years as set forth on the first page of this Agreement.

School- Based Health Center (“SBHC”): has the meaning given the term in ORS 413.225

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 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 [Oregon’s Public Health Modernization Manual](http://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/ABOUT/TASKFORCE/Documents/public_health_modernization_manual.pdf), (http://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						
	CD Control	Prevention and health promotion	Environmental health	Access to clinical preventive services	Leadership and organizational competencies	Health equity and cultural responsiveness	Community Partnership Development	Assessment and Epidemiology	Policy & Planning	Communications	Emergency Preparedness and Response

Program Components	Foundational Program					Foundational Capabilities					
				Population Health	Direct services						
Asterisk (*) = Primary foundational program that aligns with each component X = Other applicable foundational programs						X = Foundational capabilities that align with each component					
Compliance of SBHC Standards for Certification	X	X		X	*	X	X	X	X	X	
Planning Grant for SBHCs				*		X	X	X		X	
Mental Health Expansion Grants		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 Metric:**

- Communicable Disease Control – Gonorrhea rates; and
- Access to Clinical Preventive Services – Effective Contraceptive Use.

c. **The work in this Program Element helps Oregon’s governmental public health system achieve the following Public Health Modernization Process Measure:**

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:

- a. Funds provided under this Agreement for 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.
- b. All SBHC Services must be delivered 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>
- c. The SBHC Standards for Certification includes 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.
- d. LPHA must provide oversight and technical assistance so that each SBHC in its jurisdiction meets SBHC Certification Requirements as set forth in OAR 333-028-0220.
- e. LPHA must 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 applicable only to LPHA if LPHA has been selected to receive a SBHC Planning Grant from OHA. LPHA will be notified that the 2021 Oregon Legislative Assembly approved and appropriated funds for SBHC Planning Grants or if the OHA SBHC State Program Office (SPO) has other funds available for SBHC development.

An SBHC Planning Grant provides one-time funds to assist the LPHA in strategic planning for implementing SBHC Services in the LPHA county jurisdiction. The following terms and conditions apply if the OHA selects a LPHA to receive either of the following SBHC Planning Grants:

(1) Strategic Planning

- (a)** LPHA must create and implement a collaborative strategic plan in partnership with community agencies in order to develop, implement, and maintain SBHC Services to serve school-age children. This plan must have the SBHC sites open, operational and ready for certification before the end of the 2021-2023 Biennium.
- (b)** LPHA must participate in monthly technical assistance calls at times mutually agreed to between SPO and LPHA Planning grantees. In addition, each SBHC site may have at least two technical assistance visits by a SPO staff member.
- (c)** LPHA must implement the OHA approved SBHC strategic plan and have the planned SBHC Services operational and ready for certification before the end of the Biennium. Sites must become certified by June 30, 2023 to be eligible to receive SBHC awards in accordance with the approved funding formula in effect, provided certification standards are maintained and contingent on legislatively adopted budgets.

(2) Advanced Phase Strategic Planning

- (a)** LPHA must create and implement a collaborative strategic plan in partnership with community agencies in order to develop, implement, and maintain SBHC Services to serve school-age children. This plan's target must have the SBHC sites operational and ready for certification within the first fiscal year of the award.
- (b)** LPHA must participate in monthly technical assistance calls at times mutually agreed to between SPO and LPHA Advance Phase Planning grantee. In addition, each SBHC site may have at least one technical assistance visit by a SPO staff member.
- (c)** LPHA must become certified within the first year of the award to be eligible to receive SBHC awards in accordance with the approved funding formula in effect, provided certification standards are maintained and contingent upon legislatively approved budgets.

g. This Section 4.g. is only applicable to LPHA if LPHA is selected to receive a Mental Health Expansion Grant from OHA. LPHA will be notified that the 2021 Oregon Legislative Assembly approved and appropriated funds for SBHC Mental Health Expansion Grants.

- (1)** Funds provided under this Agreement must be used to support mental health capacity within the SBHC system by:
 - (a)** Adding mental health staff or expanding current mental health staff hours, with the ability to collect and report on mental health encounter visits; and/or
 - (b)** Supporting mental health projects (as defined by grant proposal) within the SBHC system
- (2)** LPHA must provide services that are culturally and linguistically appropriate to their target population

h. This Section 4.h. is only applicable to LPHA if LPHA is selected to receive a School-Linked Telehealth Grant from OHA. LPHA will be notified that the 2021 Oregon Legislative Assembly approved and appropriated funds for School-Linked Telehealth Projects. The following terms

and conditions apply if the OHA selects a LPHA to receive a School-Linked Telehealth Project Grant:

- (1) SBHC must be the distant site (where the provider is located) that provides telehealth in conjunction with a school nurse at the originating site (where the patient is receiving the telehealth service) 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, 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 SPO.
- (4) **Reporting**
 - (a) LPHA must submit a workplan providing an overview of planning and implementation activities and a tentative timeline for their completion no later than June 1, 2022.
 - (b) LPHA must submit results of planning activities, youth engagement, resource mapping and process developments on an ongoing basis but no later than May 1, 2023.
 - (c) LPHA must submit a final report no later than May 1, 2023. SPO will provide additional reporting guidance in early Spring 2023.

i. This Section 4.i. 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 oversight, maintenance, administration, operation, and delivery of services within one or more SBHCs. LPHA will be notified when these 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 the Agreement. 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. **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 Key Performance Measure (KPM) data in a form acceptable to OHA and in accordance with the SBHC Standards for Certification no later than October 1 for the preceding service year (July 1 –June 30). The current list of KPMs can be found at: <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HEALTHYPEOPLEFAMILIES/YOUTH/HEALTHSCHOOL/SCHOOLBASEDHEALTHCENTERS/Pages/data-requirements.aspx>
- c. 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).
- d. 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.
- e. LPHA must submit completed annual patient satisfaction survey data no later than June 30.
- f. 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/>
- g. If LPHA received a SBHC Planning Grant from OHA, LPHA must submit a copy of its SBHC strategic plan and proposed implementation budget to OHA for approval. OHA will supply the due date and required format for the reports.
- h. 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.
- i. If LPHA received a Mental Health Expansion Grant from OHA, LPHA must participate in an evaluation for their support project in collaboration with the SPO.
- j. If LPHA received a Mental Health Expansion Grant from OHA, LPHA must participate in check-in meetings (via phone or email) with the SPO and submit 3 mid-project reports and a final project report. OHA will work with the LPHA to schedule calls and supply the due date and required format for the reports

7. Performance Measures.

LPHA must submit annual SBHC KPM data in a form acceptable to OHA and in accordance with the SBHC Standards for Certification no later than October 1 for the preceding service year (July 1 –June 30).