

# Senate Bill 879

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON HEALTH POLICY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS (at the request of Oregon Pain Commission)

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Pain Management Commission to review pain management component of curriculum of certain educational institutions. Eliminates responsibility of commission to develop pain management program for providers. Requires dentists, occupational therapists and physical therapists to complete pain management education program.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to pain management programs; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 409.500, 409.510  
3 and 409.560.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 409.500 is amended to read:

6 409.500. (1) The Pain Management Commission is established within the Department of Human  
7 Services. The commission shall:

8 *[(a) Develop a pain management practice program for providers;]*

9 *[(b)]* (a) Develop pain management recommendations;

10 *[(c)]* (b) Develop ways to improve pain management services through research, policy analysis  
11 and model projects; and

12 *[(d)]* (c) Represent the concerns of patients in Oregon on issues of pain management to the  
13 Governor and the Legislative Assembly.

14 (2) The pain management coordinator of the Department of Human Services shall serve as staff  
15 to the commission.

16 **SECTION 2.** ORS 409.510 is amended to read:

17 409.510. The Pain Management Commission shall:

18 (1) Develop a pain management education program curriculum and update it biennially;

19 (2) Provide health professional regulatory boards and other health boards, committees or task  
20 forces with the curriculum; *[and]*

21 (3) Work with health professional regulatory boards and other health boards, committees or task  
22 forces to develop approved pain management education programs as required; **and**[.]

23 **(4)(a) Review the pain management curricula of educational institutions in this state that**  
24 **provide post-secondary education or training for persons required by ORS 409.560 to complete**  
25 **a pain management education program. The commission shall make recommendations about**  
26 **legislation needed to ensure that adequate information about pain management is included**  
27 **in the curricula reviewed and shall report its findings to the Legislative Assembly in the**  
28 **manner required by ORS 192.245 by January 1 of each odd-numbered year.**

29 **(b) As used in this subsection, "post-secondary educational institution" has the meaning**  
30 **given that term in ORS 348.105.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1        **SECTION 3.** ORS 409.560 is amended to read:

2        409.560. (1) A physician assistant licensed under ORS chapter 677, a nurse licensed under ORS  
3 chapter 678, a psychologist licensed under ORS 675.010 to 675.150, a chiropractic physician licensed  
4 under ORS chapter 684, a naturopath licensed under ORS chapter 685, an acupuncturist licensed  
5 under ORS 677.759, [*or*] a pharmacist licensed under ORS chapter 689, **a dentist licensed under**  
6 **ORS chapter 679, an occupational therapist licensed under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and a**  
7 **physical therapist licensed under ORS 688.010 to 688.201** must complete one pain management  
8 education program described under ORS 409.510.

9        (2) The Board of Medical Examiners, in consultation with the Pain Management Commission,  
10 shall identify by rule physicians licensed under ORS chapter 677 who, on an ongoing basis, treat  
11 patients in chronic or terminal pain and who must complete one pain management education pro-  
12 gram established under ORS 409.510. The board may identify by rule circumstances under which  
13 the requirement under this section may be waived.

14        **SECTION 4.** **ORS 409.560 is added to and made a part of ORS 409.500 to 409.570.**

15