

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 238**

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**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.

*[Limits patient data that must be reported to Oregon Health Authority by providers of mental health and addiction services. Requires authority to appoint rules advisory committee that includes specified members.]*

**Requires Oregon Health Authority to conduct review of rules adopted by authority relating to mental health and addiction treatment providers to determine if excessive requirements and redundancies can be eliminated and if process for collecting patient data can be streamlined. Directs authority to appoint work group to advise authority in review.**

**Sunsets January 2, 2013.**

**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

1  
2 Relating to administrative requirements for persons contracting with the state to provide health  
3 services; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

6 (a) **“Outcome measure” means an objective, observable standard for evaluating a**  
7 **patient’s access to services, the retention of patients in programs or services, the quality**  
8 **or effectiveness of services, the use of evidence-based practices or the cost-effectiveness of**  
9 **services.**

10 (b) **“Patient data” means information concerning a patient or services provided to a pa-**  
11 **tient that must be submitted to the Oregon Health Authority by a provider.**

12 (c) **“Provider” means a person that contracts or enters into an agreement with the au-**  
13 **thority to provide mental health or addiction treatment services.**

14 (2) **In order to enable providers to redirect resources from the submission of patient data**  
15 **and information to the authority to the provision of patient services, the authority shall**  
16 **conduct a thorough, line-by-line review of any rules adopted by the authority that relate to**  
17 **mental health and addiction treatment providers to determine:**

18 (a) **If excessive requirements and redundancies can be eliminated; and**

19 (b) **If the process for collecting patient data can be streamlined.**

20 (3) **The authority may require providers to submit patient data and information neces-**  
21 **sary to evaluate outcome measures as a condition of contracting with the authority. The**  
22 **requirements for the submission of patient data and information may not be duplicative of**  
23 **other reporting requirements.**

**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       (4) The authority shall adopt standardized forms for the reporting of patient data and  
2 information to the authority and to any licensing board in this state by providers and by  
3 individuals who provide the mental health or addiction treatment services.

4       (5) The authority shall appoint a work group to advise the authority in the review, de-  
5 velopment, adoption and amendment of rules and forms under subsections (2) to (4) of this  
6 section. In selecting the members of the work group, the authority shall seek the advice of  
7 and consider any recommendations from an organization representing county mental health  
8 programs. The work group must include:

9       (a) Two individuals who are employed by the authority in a department or division that  
10 regulates mental health and addiction treatment services;

11       (b) Three individuals who are providers of addiction treatment services or are members  
12 of an organization that represents providers of addiction treatment services;

13       (c) Three individuals who are providers of mental health services or are members of an  
14 organization the represents providers of mental health services; and

15       (d) Two individuals who are consumers of mental health or addiction treatment services.

16       (6) The authority shall adopt or amend rules and forms described in subsections (2) to  
17 (4) of this section no later than January 1, 2012.

18       (7) The authority shall report to the 2012 regular session of the Legislative Assembly on  
19 the effectiveness of rules adopted or amended under subsection (6) of this section in reducing  
20 duplicative, redundant or unduly burdensome reporting requirements imposed on providers  
21 and on individuals who provide the contracted addiction and mental health treatment ser-  
22 vices.

23       SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2011 Act is repealed January 2, 2013.

24       SECTION 3. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
25 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect  
26 on its passage.