



NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon

February 14, 2013

Representative Mitch Greenlick, Chair
Representative Alisa Keny-Guyer, Vice-Chair
Representative Jim Thompson, Vice-Chair
House Health Care Committee
Oregon Legislative Assembly

Re: HB 2134

Dear Chair Greenlick, Vice-Chairs Keny-Guyer and Thompson, and Members of the Committee:

NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon is dedicated to promoting practices that provide equal access to healthcare, including sexual and reproductive health, to all Oregon women. NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon proudly supports HB 2134.

NARAL fully embraces the Triple Aim goal of lower costs, better healthcare, and better outcomes is through providing the same high level of health care and human services to all Oregonians. Unfortunately, some communities have poorer health outcomes than others and that these barriers to health include inaccurate and inconsistent data and a lack of culturally & linguistically appropriate care. We must work to improve the quality of health care that women receive to ensure that all Oregon women are able be healthy, including sexual and reproductive health. Collecting healthcare data that accurately details the health concerns of Oregon's changing population is essential for ensuring that everyone gets the best healthcare possible and is a necessary step to ending health disparities in Oregon.

Oregon's health care transformation has the goal of providing the health care and services that all Oregonians need to be healthy. Our system needs to be targeted and data-driven to provide more effective and efficient care for all Oregonians. Accurate, consistent and meaningful data collection is a crucial component of this goal, making it possible for providers to refine and improve the quality of care for their patients and clients, while maximizing our limited resources.

Please vote YES on HB 2134 and support our work to have meaningful, consistent, and accurate data collection in health and human services, and to improve health outcomes for Oregon women.

Thank you for your consideration,

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