

Oregon Senate Health Care Committee
Testimony in Support of SB 18

Dear Senators:

I am not a member of a local Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) but I am asking you to support SB 18. SB 18 is simple; it removes the anti-trust protections from CCOs in order to protect the healthcare of the citizens of our state.

Although I am not someone who receives my health care from a CCO, as a Medicare recipient in rural Oregon, my health care services are dictated by our local CCO none the less. The private for profit company that owns our local CCO, Architrave, also owns the dominate Medicare Advantage Plan here, ATRIO. In the few short years I have lived in Douglas County, the number of Medicare providers who take anything but ATRIO has shrunk. But this is what monopolies do; they chase out the competition to monopolize the market.

You must support SB 18 to stop state sanctioned healthcare monopolies that are bad for healthcare consumers and our state.

Thank you,
Martha Bryson

“Honest and earnest criticism from those whose interests are most nearly touched,- criticism of writers by readers, of government by those governed, of leaders by those led, - this is the soul of democracy and the safeguard of modern society”

— [W.E.B. Du Bois](#)