



Oral Health For All



THE ORAL HEALTH FUNDERS COLLABORATIVE SUPPORTS GOOD ORAL HEALTH FOR ALL OREGONIANS

The Oral Health Funders Collaborative is a partnership consisting of leading philanthropic organizations in our state. These organizations have come together to raise awareness of oral disease and promote best practices for improving oral health across the lifespan of every Oregonian.

In partnership with the Oregon Oral Health Coalition (OrOHC) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), the Collaborative created *The Strategic Plan for Oral Health in Oregon: 2014-2020*. This plan reflects the consensus of nearly 200 oral health advocates. It has been endorsed by more than 30 organizations and agencies working to improve oral health for all Oregonians.

The following senate bills align with strategies identified in the *Strategic Plan*. They are important to Oregon's workforce and public health, and to the overall good of our state.

SB 672 establishes a new state office of oral health within the Oregon Health Authority.

SB 606 extends the Oregon Health Authority's dental workforce pilot project by five years.

- SB 672 will establish **state-level advocacy and coordination for an evidence-based approach** to addressing Oregon's ongoing oral health crisis.
- SB 672 aligns with the *Strategic Plan's* call for OHA to **prioritize oral health and provide leadership** in state-level policy, funding and regulatory decisions.
- SB 606 extends SB 738 (2009), which originally authorized dental workforce pilot projects that **improve access to oral care for underserved and disadvantaged Oregonians**.
- SB 606 aligns with the *Strategic Plan's* goal of supporting SB 738 pilot projects and investigating **innovative workforce models for oral health**.

