

## Family Physicians Support SB 757

The Oregon Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP) knows the legislature needs better health care workforce data and particularly better data analysis in order to make informed decisions about how to best modify Oregon's health care workforce incentive programs. SB 757 would provide that data and analysis.

OAFP was an active participant in the 2013-14 interim work group that studied the workforce incentive programs. We looked at a variety of programs including the:

- Rural Health Tax Credit
- Medicaid Primary Care Provider Loan Repayment Program
- Loan Forgiveness Program and
- Rural Malpractice Subsidy Program.

There was no shortage of ideas about how these incentive programs could be modified. But we lacked the information needed to fully understand how proposed modifications would impact the number and distribution of rural health care providers.

OAFP strongly supports passage of SB 757 so policy makers will have the information they need to make the best decisions possible.

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