

**Oregon Health Authority  
Hepatitis**

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On February 23rd, the Human Services Subcommittee recommended retroactive approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Oregon Health Authority to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the amount of up to \$200,000 per year for four years to improve data collection related to Hepatitis B and C.

The purpose of the grant is to improve data collection for acute and chronic Hepatitis B and C, and perinatal Hepatitis C. The grant will focus on improving the completeness and timeliness of laboratory and case information reported. It will also focus on improving information on the true incidence of the diseases, by supplementing case data with data from other sources such as Medicaid, hospital discharge data, Oregon's cancer registry, and the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System survey. Additional information will improve outbreak responses, as well as help guide state and local prevention and treatment programs.

The grant application was submitted January 31, 2017, and the agency submitted the required 10-day notification letter. No state matching funds are required, and the agency does not need any additional positions.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval.