

Dear Task Force members,

We are both retired physicians and very much appreciate the work you are embarking upon to create a just and equitable health care system for all. We firmly believe access to quality health care is a right, not a financial privilege.

The COVID crisis and our current federal government have laid bare the fractured, inequitable and discriminatory nature of our health care system. There should be no financial incentives in health care; it is a service industry and ought not to be a free market enterprise.

All residents should have their basic health care needs met without worrying about debt or bankruptcy. Quality measures and system accountability must assure respectful, responsive care that recognizes an individual's needs and circumstances.

Thank you for the challenging work you are tackling. It is a tremendous service to the people of Oregon.

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