

Ms. Ross,

Your's was the only contact I could find for submitting questions to the joint task force on universal health care. My questions are for consideration by the task force, but they are particularly addressed to the attention of those members of the task force who are "enrolled in health insurance offered by the Public Employees' Benefit Board or the Oregon Educators Benefit Board or represents public employees," or who are "enrolled in employer-sponsored health insurance, group health insurance or a self-insured health plan offered by an employer."

My questions for consideration are: Under Oregon universal health care, what happens to a worker and their family if the worker is currently receiving health care coverage for themselves and their family through the worker's Oregon employer for work in Oregon, but the worker and their family reside in another state?

What happens to a person receiving health care coverage through an employer-connected retirement plan? For example, a public employee retiree receiving purchased coverage through PERS, PEBB, or OWEBB who is not yet Medicare eligible? What if that person is not an Oregon resident?

Thank you,

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