

# Universal Access to Primary Care: A Foundation for Health Care System Reform in Oregon

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# A Brief History of Primary Care Transformation in Oregon

- HB 2009: Transformation of Primary Care in Oregon



The Patient-Centered Primary Care Home Program is part of Oregon's efforts to fulfill a vision for better health, better care and lower costs for all Oregonians.

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- 2015: SB 231

Establishes Primary Care Payment Reform Collaborative and annual primary care spending report

- 2016: PSU evaluation – “Implementation of Oregon’s PCPCH Program: Exemplary Practice and Program Findings”
  - Cost trends for 1.2 million Oregonians
  - Decreased cost trend 4.2%
  - Estimated \$240 million in savings 2011-2014
- 2017: SB 934
  - Increase investment in primary care
  - Improve reimbursement methods
  - Align primary care reimbursement
- 2018: PCPR Collaborative proposes a new model for primary care payment

# Goals for the next steps in primary care transformation:

1. Universal access to primary care services without financial barriers
2. Payment model which supports the PCPCH model of care
3. Payment standardization to decrease administrative costs and demands

# Policy options

- Incremental improvements on Oregon journey
  - Standardize definition of primary care to align with national consensus
  - Adopt recommendations of the Primary Care Payment Reform Collaborative to implement a single payment methodology

Or

- Establish a universally accessible, publicly funded, primary care system in Oregon
  - Vermont and Rhode Island examples





