

**Oregon Health Authority  
Substance Abuse Prevention Grant**

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On February 5th, the Human Services Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Oregon Health Authority to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$5 million for alcohol and drug abuse prevention activities.

The goal of this opportunity is to strengthen capacity and infrastructure at the state and local level to help reduce the onset and progression of substance abuse and misuse among youth and adults. If awarded, funding will largely support subgrants to tribal and community partners for prevention planning, implementation, and evaluation activities, including tracking and reporting of program outcomes. Funds will also be used to strengthen statewide prevention strategies and support positions costs in OHA for a project director and epidemiologist, which are required under the federal award to coordinate grant activities and analyze prevention-related data and outcomes.

The grant period is for five years and the federal funds do not require a state match or cost-sharing.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval.