

Dear Zeenia and Bruce

This is Angel Contreras Cruz from the round table organized by Lara Media. I am a Ph.D. student in engineering in technology management (ETM) at Portland State University. One of my classmates, Abdallah Owaishiz owaishiz@pdx.edu, is conducting research about underserved communities in Oregon. His research topic is "An Assessment Model of the Healthcare Entrepreneurship Ecosystem to Foster Solutions for Underserved Communities." I will let him know that I share his information with you. The department does a lot of strategic planning working with organizations in the Oregon State (<https://www.pdx.edu/engineering-technology-management/> Department Chair, Dr. Tim Anderson / tim.anderson@pdx.edu).

Also, probably I did not explain my comment pretty well. Part of the work we do in the ETM program is strategic planning using tools such as technology road mapping or generic road mapping. These tools help to identify the risks, technologies, resources, and so on that projects need. As I mentioned in the conversation, Universal Oregon Health Care, which is a great idea, might be a magnet to attract people. Therefore, the Government of Oregon will need to identify its level of readiness to receive new inhabitants in Oregon. Several aspects need to be considered such as job opportunities, new schools, new medical facilities, new medical human resources, technology, and so on.

I have one scenario. If most of the new Oregonians move here because of health insurance but they do not work the system can collapse. I know it is not very likely to happen but as decision-makers, all scenarios need to be considered.

Well, I hope this helps. Congratulations on making this happens.

Best regards,

Angel Contreras Cruz