

February 9, 2021

Representative Maxine Dexter, Chair Representative Cedric Hayden, Vice-Chair House Committee on Health Care, Subcommittee on COVID-19 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

Delivered electronically.

Re: HB 3057, Disclosure of Certain COVID-19 Related Information

Chair Dexter, Vice-Chair Hayden and Members of the Subcommittee:

The PacificSource companies are independent, not-for-profit health insurance providers based in Oregon. We serve over 500,000 commercial, Medicaid, and Medicare Advantage members in four states. PacificSource Community Solutions is the contracted coordinated care organization (CCO) in Central Oregon, the Columbia River Gorge, Marion & Polk Counties, and Lane County. Our mission is to provide better health, better care, and better value to the people and communities we serve.

PacificSource writes to express support for House Bill 3057, the concept that allows the Oregon Health Authority to share certain individually identifiable information related to COVID-19 with health care providers and entities providing care coordination services. As vaccine administrations increase across Oregon, entities like PacificSource will need data to ensure the efficient and equitable distribution of vaccines as we coordinate the provision of health care to our members.

Access to data allows us to support the response to vaccine priority populations identified through the Governor's Vaccine Advisory Committee and the Oregon Health Authority, to assist with outreach and to minimize duplication. Data may also help us coordinate care to optimize vaccine delivery as well as ensuring timely administration of second doses of vaccine.

Thank you for your consideration. For questions or concerns, please contact me at 503.949.3620 or richard.blackwell@pacificsource.com.

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