

# D R A F T

## SUMMARY

Digest: The Act tells OHA to adopt standards for certain reviews of CCOs. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.8).

Directs the Oregon Health Authority to adopt standards for external quality reviews of coordinated care organizations that are aligned with standards published by the National Committee for Quality Assurance.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to external quality reviews of coordinated care organizations; cre-  
3 ating new provisions; amending ORS 414.595; and prescribing an effective  
4 date.

5 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

6 **SECTION 1.** ORS 414.595 is amended to read:

7 414.595. (1) As used in this section:

8 (a) “Coordinated care organization” has the meaning given that term in  
9 ORS 414.025.

10 (b) “Subcontractor” means an entity that contracts with a coordinated  
11 care organization to provide health care, dental care, behavioral health care  
12 or other services to medical assistance recipients enrolled in the coordinated  
13 care organization.

14 (2)(a) The Oregon Health Authority shall conduct one external quality  
15 review of each coordinated care organization annually. The authority may  
16 contract with an external quality review organization to conduct the review.

17 **(b) The authority shall adopt standards for evaluating a coordinated**  
18 **care organization during an external quality review. The standards**

1 **must be aligned with the health plan accreditation standards published**  
2 **by the National Committee for Quality Assurance.**

3 **(c) If a coordinated care organization has received accreditation**  
4 **from the National Committee for Quality Assurance for a standard**  
5 **adopted under this section, the authority shall accept proof of the ac-**  
6 **creditation as evidence that the coordinated care organization has**  
7 **complied with the standard.**

8 (3) The authority shall compile a standard list of documents that the au-  
9 thority or contracted review organization collects from coordinated care or-  
10 ganizations and subcontractors. When requesting information from a  
11 coordinated care organization about its subcontractors, the authority or  
12 contracted review organization shall inform the coordinated care organiza-  
13 tion of the documents on the standard list that have been collected from the  
14 coordinated care organization's subcontractors in the preceding 12-month  
15 period.

16 (4) The authority or a contracted review organization may not request  
17 information from a coordinated care organization that is duplicative of or  
18 redundant with information previously provided by the coordinated care or-  
19 ganization or a subcontractor if the information was provided within the  
20 preceding 12-month period and the relevant content of the information has  
21 not changed.

22 (5) The authority shall provide a contracted review organization with all  
23 information about a coordinated care organization in the authority's pos-  
24 session as necessary for the contracted review organization to conduct the  
25 external quality review. A contracted review organization may not seek in-  
26 formation from a coordinated care organization before first requesting the  
27 information from the authority.

28 (6) This section does not apply to documents requested, submitted or col-  
29 lected in connection with an audit for or an investigation of fraud, waste  
30 or abuse and does not:

31 (a) Prohibit a coordinated care organization from requesting from a sub-

1 contractor information required by law or contract;

2 (b) Require the authority or a contracted review organization to disclose  
3 to a coordinated care organization any information described in this section  
4 collected from a coordinated care organization or a subcontractor; or

5 (c) Permit the authority or a contracted review organization to disclose  
6 to a coordinated care organization confidential or proprietary information  
7 reported to the authority or contracted review organization by another co-  
8 ordinated care organization or a subcontractor.

9 **SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 414.595 by section 1 of this**  
10 **2025 Act apply to external quality reviews conducted on or after the**  
11 **operative date specified in section 3 of this 2025 Act.**

12 **SECTION 3. (1) The amendments to ORS 414.595 by section 1 of this**  
13 **2025 Act become operative on January 1, 2026.**

14 **(2) The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the**  
15 **operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is neces-**  
16 **sary to enable the authority to exercise, on and after the operative**  
17 **date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, func-**  
18 **tions and powers conferred on the authority by the amendments to**  
19 **ORS 414.595 by section 1 of this 2025 Act.**

20 **SECTION 4. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date**  
21 **on which the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative As-**  
22 **sembly adjourns sine die.**

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