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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to adopt standards for types of data collected for all payer, all claims database that are consistent with standards adopted for collection of data on race, ethnicity, language, disability status, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Revenue, Oregon Health Authority, Department of Consumer and Business Services

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2023-25 Biennium	2025-27 Biennium
Oregon Health Authority		
General Fund		
Personal Services	\$323,477	\$482,709
Services and Supplies	\$229,377	\$76,140
Total General Fund	\$552,854	\$558,849
Other Funds*		
Personal Services	\$202,784	\$0
Services and Supplies	\$11,514	\$0
Total Other Funds	\$214,298	\$0
Federal Funds		
Personal Services	\$323,477	\$482,709
Services and Supplies	\$229,377	\$76,140
Total Federal Funds	\$552,854	\$558,849
Total Fiscal Impact	\$1,320,006	\$1,117,698
Total Positions	5	4
Total FTE	2.51	4.00

*Represents General Fund and Federal Fund expended as Other Funds

Analysis:

SB 966 - A requires health insurers to include sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) data in the information collected from the All Payer All Claims (APAC) database. Reported data shall be shared with eligible stakeholders, and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) may charge for these data requests.

The measure disbands the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee and establishes the Metrics and Scoring Committee within the Oregon Health Policy Board. Members of the committee who are not members of the Oregon Health Policy Board are eligible for compensation and reimbursement of travel and related expenses. The Metrics and Scoring Committee must identify at least four downstream health outcomes and quality measures (as defined in the measure) and four upstream health outcomes and quality measures (as defined in the measure) applicable to services provided by coordinated care organizations. The measure repeals the COFA Premium Assistance Program. OHA is required to implement an education and outreach campaign with stakeholders to encourage enrollment in COFA dental programs.

OHA is directed to study the Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) Quality Incentive Program and the structure of the Metrics and Scoring Committee. OHA must submit their findings and recommendations by September 15, 2024, to the interim legislative health committees. OHA is granted the authority to use other payment mechanisms to reimburse coordinated care organizations for health services for a limited period if the situation meets the requirements of the measure.

The measure declares an emergency and is effective upon passage.

The fiscal impact of the measure on the Oregon Health Authority is \$1.3 million total funds (\$552,854 General Fund) and five positions (2.51 FTE) for the 2023-25 biennium and \$1.1 million total funds (558,849 General Fund) and four positions (4.00 FTE) for the 2025-27 biennium. Most of the fiscal impact for both biennia is related to new positions. Costs decrease for the 2025-27 biennium as one limited duration position is removed, and contracting costs are no longer needed.

Personal services and associated supporting service and supply costs for 2023-25 are anticipated to be \$922,066 total funds (\$552,854 General Fund), increasing to \$1,053,698 total funds (558,849 General Fund) as the permanent positions scale up to 1.00 FTE. The following positions are anticipated:

- One full-time limited-duration Project Manager 3 position (0.75 FTE) will gather requirements and assist with the preparation of a request for proposal for a National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) certified vendor to assist with downstream measures.
- One full-time permanent Operations and Policy Analyst 4 (0.50 FTE) to serve as the program manager for upstream metrics.
- One full-time permanent Operations and Policy Analyst 3 (0.50 FTE) to provide research and analytical support, as well as maintain and update metrics.
- Two full-time permanent Research Analyst 4 (0.38 FTE each) positions to provide analysis on upstream metrics performance data and support quality improvement, test new quantitative components, and different measurements for downstream measures.

Included in the 2023-25 costs is \$214,298 Other Funds for the Project Manager 3 position; this position is budgeted within a shared service program of the Department of Human Services and OHA. Other Funds limitation for OHA is established only as a means for accounting for expenses paid through the shared service budget structure and does not represent an additional expenditure; a corresponding amount of General Fund and Federal Fund are the only expenditures for this position.

In addition to position costs, a projected \$398,000 total funds (\$199,000) General Fund), is anticipated in 2023-25 to cover costs associated with the required study and community engagement for the CCO Quality Incentive Program.

- \$300,000 total funds (\$150,000 General Fund) to contract out the work of the study.
- \$50,000 total funds (\$25,000 General Fund) to hire a consultant to assist with the development of incentive options.
- \$48,000 total funds (\$24,000 General Fund) to provide stipends to committee members.

The only non-position-related costs carried through to the 2025-27 biennium are stipends for committee members, projected to cost a total of \$64,000 (\$32,000 General Fund).

The measure has no fiscal impact on the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs or the Department of Revenue.