

Providence Oregon Family Medicine Residency

Testimony in support of SB 490

Supporting Oregon's Family Medicine Residencies

Chair Patterson, Vice-Chair Hayden, and Members of The Committee:

As the Family Medicine (FM) Program director at Providence Milwaukie, I am offering testimony in support of SB 490, which would provide \$5 million in funding to support the Oregon Residency Collaborative Alliance for Family Medicine, or ORCA-FM.

After residency at University of Washington, I helped start their Primary care network, and for the past 30 years have been a faculty educator for graduate and undergraduate medical trainees. In 2016, I moved to Oregon to lead a community based three-year, 7/7/7 residency that also trains 2 Providence Hood River Rural Training Program Interns before they return to their own Rural Training Program.

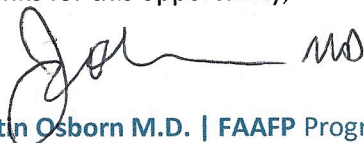
Since starting in 2001, our residency has trained about a quarter of FM graduates in Oregon. Around 90% stay in Oregon to provide community based primary care to underserved communities, like Dr Jillian Schroeder did when she went to Mosaic (Federally Qualified Health Center) near Bend where she started a treatment program for pregnant women with addiction.

When I arrived, Oregon had no residency collaborative. I missed WWAMI's cooperative interactive group of graduate medical educators who met quarterly to share best practices, education tips and advance skills which improved training for residents and faculty. WWAMI began in 1971, when Washington state provided a 1M dollar grant (7.3 M in today's dollars) to start the collaboration within the 6 FM Residencies in WA State and now 50 years later, it includes 31 residency 5 states and has increased retention of Family Medicine doctors in the region. ORCA FM brings similar potential.

If every single Oregon trained FM graduate stayed in state, we would still be 50% short of the need. Robert Graham Center data shows we need to increase our Family Physicians by 38% by 2030 to maintain current rates of utilization.

Dr Malik, our chief resident, and advocacy scholar, came to one of ORCA FM's virtual recruiting events as did many current residents across the state. She represents the high caliber of physician we want to attract and keep in Oregon.

Thanks for this opportunity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Justin Osborn", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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