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Before you build the bridge, map the gap.

Hello, I'm Christine A. Smith, Oregonian, AARP member, hired in-home caregiver for nearly 100 families, the #AgingEnthusiast video podcaster and LIVEstreamer for the Aging Better Network. An AARP survey ranked MY state #1 for retirees LEAVING to continue life any where else. I will host "The ConVERGEnce" October 6 - 9, 2023 in Independence, Oregon. This is an in-person event. This experience will feature experts for information and facilitators for collaboration. More than a longevity silo or demographic gathering--attendees are teens through 100's. Current facts collected by committee as proposed in House Bill 2869-2 will be WELCOMED and CRUCIAL for all the change-makers during ConVERGEnce, and all the on-going innovating networking after the event. The Care Economy professionals, Aging Industry innovators, and Longevity leaders within our State's border have passion and plans. They NEED your knowledgeable participation. Pass the bill, not the buck. AND I'LL HELP YOU MAP THAT GAP with my online presence!!!