

Vaccine Access

Oregon's vaccine finance model needs an overhaul

- Funding is fragmented and driven by eligibility (e.g., age/insurance)
- More life saving vaccines are on the market
- Cost of delivering vaccines is increasing
- Managing vaccine stock is complex

Vaccine Access Program

Supporting statewide access

- Launched in 2003 to ensure access regardless of insurance type
- VAP allows clinics to order all vaccine through Oregon's ALERT Immunization Information System, then pay back vaccine costs after billing insurance
- 300 clinics participating, including all Local Public Health Authorities, most Federally-Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), & some private clinics serving special populations
- Ensures vaccine at critical access points for those at highest risk of poor disease outcomes, including adults on Oregon Health Plan and individuals who may be uninsured, houseless, migrant populations and others

Vaccine Access Program Request

OHA Immunization Section Staffing & Workload

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Staffing levels	33	40
Enrolled clinics	150	650
Vaccines to manage	5	22
Vaccine budget	\$750,000	\$100,000,000

- Without this program, clinics purchase all vaccine for billable clients up front; cost-prohibitive for many
- OHA lacks funding for rising costs and staff support
- Current request is for staffing only; a sustainable funding solution that addresses vaccine costs is needed for a permanent solution.

Vaccine Access Program Request

3 permanent, full-time positions at a cost of \$500,000

- Project Manager 3 (PM3): To develop and sustain a modern immunization access system
- Operations & Policy Analyst 2 (OPA 2): To coordinate the community of VAP providers for seamless access to clinical immunization services
- Fiscal Analyst 2 (FA2): To control and monitor program needs and perform primary budgeting and fiscal analyses

These positions would support equitable vaccine access for all in Oregon, including enrollment of new VAP clinics