February 6, 2025

Dear Chair Patterson, Vice Chair Hayden and members of the committee:

I offer my support for SB 846, regarding improving access and the quality of health care for children and youth served by the Coordinated Care Organization. Such measures are necessary to address significant health care inequalities that are prevalent among children.

The amendments made to ORS 414.578 by SB 846 will help improve the methods of data collection of children health data which in turn will provide better child-specific understanding of the health inequalities faced by children and how to go about improving them.

Sincerely, Almaaz Hussein 3L Law Student