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Oregon Pushes Forward on Health Care Access as Federal Chaos Grows

Oregon Health Authority budget invests in maternal care, behavioral health, and core services as Trump and Congress threaten devastating Medicaid cuts

SALEM, Ore. – Yesterday, the Oregon Legislature advanced a forward-looking budget for the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) that strengthens the state's health care system. [House Bill 5025](#) protects access to maternal care, behavioral health treatment, and core services at a time when the Trump administration and Congressional Republicans are threatening deep cuts to Medicaid and other vital programs.

"We are taking steps in this budget to break down barriers that have kept Oregonians from accessing the health care they deserve. Investing in the health care provider pipeline, improving youth access to mental health services, and supporting full-scope maternity care will help keep Oregonians safe and healthy," said **Sen. Winsvey Campos (D-Aloha)**, co-chair of the Subcommittee on Human Services. "As we face federal threats to these basic protections, Oregon leaders are standing firm. This budget should send a message to every Oregonian that their wellbeing is worth investing in."

On June 3, the Senate Committee on Health Care held an [informational hearing](#) to hear from medical providers, health care executives, and policy experts about the significant impacts that the Trump administration and Congressional Republican Medicaid cuts would have on Oregon,

including putting rural hospitals, reproductive care providers, and behavioral health services at risk.

Despite these threats, Oregon lawmakers advanced HB 5025, a budget that:

- **Protects Medicaid coverage for 1.4 million Oregonians amid federal uncertainty:**
 - Extends hospital and insurer provider assessments to preserve Medicaid funding.
 - Shifts funding to protect coverage in response to changes in federal Medicaid match rates.
 - Invests in Tribal health equity and American Indian/Alaska Native coverage through OHP Bridge.
- **Protects and expands access to maternal and reproductive care:**
 - \$25 million state + \$64.3 million federal funds to enhance hospital maternity payment rates and ensure statewide access to hospital maternity services.
 - \$10 million in grants to support women's health care providers as federal funding is threatened.
 - \$2.5 million to expand patient navigation and facility upgrades as more out-of-state patients seek care in Oregon.
- **Strengthens behavioral health care:**
 - \$148.3 million to help offset hospital losses for serving Medicaid patients, particularly in behavioral health.
 - \$30 million mid-biennium investment to cover increased behavioral health care needs through Coordinated Care Organizations.
 - \$14.1 million to expand Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics statewide.
 - \$10 million for harm reduction programs to prevent overdoses.
 - \$10 million to expand behavioral health residential treatment for youth.
 - Additional funding for diversion programs, supportive housing, community mental health services, and behavioral health navigators.

"As federal lawmakers debate deep cuts to Medicaid and critical health services, Oregon is taking action to protect our families," said **Rep. Andrea Valderrama (D-Outer East Portland)**, co-chair of the Subcommittee on Human Services. "We know that ensuring safe births, supporting mental health, and strengthening addiction treatment must remain a top priority. This budget delivers on that promise for every Oregonian."

The OHA budget will now advance to a vote of the full Joint Ways & Means Committee, followed by a full vote on the House and Senate floors.

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