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Health Care Committee Backs Funding to Keep Planned Parenthood Health Centers Serving Patients

SALEM, Ore. – Today, the House Committee on Health Care passed [HB 4127](#), a critical measure to ensure Oregonians can continue accessing essential health care services by protecting state funding for Planned Parenthood.

In an alarming and targeted move, on July 4, 2025, the Trump Administration enacted the federal budget bill that blocks "prohibited entities" from receiving any Medicaid reimbursements for one year. This language is designed to specifically target Planned Parenthood. Together, Planned Parenthood Columbia Willamette (PPCW) and Planned Parenthood Southern Oregon (PPSO) operate 11 health centers across the state, and one in Vancouver, Washington.

In fiscal year 2025 alone, PPCW and PPSO collectively provided care through nearly 100,000 visits.

"We cannot let tens of thousands of Oregonians lose access to essential health care because of decisions made at the federal level," said **House Majority Leader Ben Bowman (D-Tigard, Metzger, S Beaverton)**. "Today's vote moves Oregon one step closer to protecting access to cancer screenings, STI testing, and comprehensive reproductive health care for all Oregonians. We will not allow the Trump Administration to shut down Planned Parenthood in Oregon."

The bill does not pay for abortion services, as stated by the [Hyde Amendment](#) which prohibits federal funds to be used for abortion care. Instead, it supports the broad range of other health care services these clinics provide to Oregon Health Plan members, including preventive screenings, contraception, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, and general reproductive health care.

“When Washington, D.C. politicians try to take away essential healthcare from Oregonians, and close clinics as part of a back-door abortion ban, we have to stand up for the people of this state and say no,” said **Rep. April Dobson** (D – Happy Valley & N Clackamas County).

Rep. Rieke Smith (D - Wilsonville, Sherwood, King City, Tigard) added: “Today’s vote on HB 4127 is about keeping our promises to Oregonians who rely on Medicaid for basic, lifesaving reproductive health care. This bill is a clear statement that, no matter your ZIP code, income, or immigration status, you deserve timely access to care.”

If federal policy changes or funding restrictions prevent certain nonprofit reproductive health providers from receiving Medicaid reimbursement, HB 4127 ensures Oregon can step in with state funding so patients do not lose access to care.

“I am thrilled House Bill 4127 passed out of the House Committee on Health Care. While the federal government is going out of its way to harm Oregonians, the Oregon legislature is standing up for reproductive health and this amazing organization,” said **Rep. Rob Nosse** (D - Inner SE & Inner NE Portland) and chair of the committee. “I look forward to voting on this bill on the House floor.”

The bill now moves to the Ways and Means Committee for further consideration.

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