

# Senate Bill 648

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Expands duties of Central Oregon Health Council. Allows council to convene one community advisory council for all coordinated care organizations serving counties that join council. Requires report to Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly. Extends sunset to 2022.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to Central Oregon Health Council; amending sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 18 and 19, chapter 418,  
3 Oregon Laws 2011.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 13, chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011, is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 13.** (1) Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson Counties may form a Central Oregon Health Council  
7 when the governing body of each of the counties adopts a resolution signifying the body's intention  
8 to do so.

9 (2) [*Subsequent to the formation of the Central Oregon Health Council,*] A county that is adjacent  
10 to Crook, Deschutes or Jefferson County may join the council if:

11 (a) The governing body of the county seeking to join the council adopts a resolution signifying  
12 the body's intention to include a portion of that county in the region served by the council;

13 (b) The portion of the county to be included in the region is part of a natural health care re-  
14 ferral pattern with the other counties on the council; and

15 (c) The Oregon Health Authority and the council approve.

16 **SECTION 2.** Section 14, chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011, is amended to read:

17 **Sec. 14.** (1) The Central Oregon Health Council shall consist of no more than [11] **15** members,  
18 including:

19 [(a) *A formative council consisting of:*]

20 [(A)] **(a)** One member each from the governing bodies of Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson Coun-  
21 ties, appointed by each body;

22 [(B)] **(b)** The chief executive officer, or a designee of the chief executive officer, of the health  
23 care system serving the region; [*and*]

24 [(C)] **(c)** The chief executive officer, or a designee of the chief executive officer, of [*the Medicaid*  
25 *contractor*] **each coordinated care organization** serving **any of the counties in** the region **that**  
26 **join the council**; and

27 [(b)] **(d)** At least three members appointed by the [*formative*] council [*established under para-*  
28 *graph (a) of this subsection. Members appointed under this paragraph shall be representatives of*] **who**  
29 **represent:**

30 (A) Consumers of physical and behavioral health services;

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (B) Health care professionals;

2 (C) School districts or educational service districts;

3 (D) The business community; or

4 (E) [A member from] The governing body of [each] **any** county that joins the council under sec-  
 5 tion 13 (2), [of this 2011 Act] **chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011.**

6 (2) The term of office of the members of the council is four years. **Members may be reap-**  
 7 **pointed.**

8 (3) A majority of the members of the council constitutes a quorum for the transaction of busi-  
 9 ness.

10 (4) The council shall elect a member of the council to serve as the chairperson.

11 (5) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to  
 12 the vacated position to become effective immediately.

13 (6) The council may **incorporate under ORS chapter 65 as an Oregon nonprofit corporation**  
 14 **and may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the council**, enter into necessary contracts,  
 15 apply for and receive grants, hold and dispose of property and take other actions necessary to carry  
 16 out the activities, services and responsibilities assumed by the council.

17 (7) The council may [adopt rules necessary for the operation of the council] **convene a single**  
 18 **community advisory council required by ORS 414.627 for all of the coordinated care organ-**  
 19 **izations serving any of the counties that join the council.**

20 **SECTION 3.** Section 15, chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011, is amended to read:

21 **Sec. 15.** The Central Oregon Health Council [shall] **may** appoint an advisory committee to ad-  
 22 vise the council in the performance of the duties of the council. The members of the advisory com-  
 23 mittee may include representatives of:

24 (1) Public health agencies serving the region;

25 (2) Behavioral health agencies for mental health authorities serving the region represented on  
 26 the council;

27 (3) Hospital or integrated delivery systems serving the region represented on the council;

28 (4) Medicaid contractors in each region served by the council;

29 (5) Safety net clinics;

30 (6) Health collaboratives;

31 (7) The dental profession;

32 (8) School and educational service districts;

33 (9) The business community;

34 (10) Primary care clinics; and

35 (11) Independent physician associations.

36 **SECTION 4.** Section 16, chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011, is amended to read:

37 **Sec. 16.** (1) As used in this section, “regional health improvement plan” means a four-year  
 38 comprehensive, coordinated regional plan incorporating and replacing all health and human service  
 39 plans prescribed by the Oregon Health Authority, including but not limited to:

40 (a) Plans required under ORS 430.630, 430.640, 431.385 and 624.510; **and**

41 (b) **The community health assessment and community health improvement plan described**  
 42 **in ORS 414.627.**

43 (2)(a) The Central Oregon Health Council shall conduct a regional health assessment and adopt  
 44 a regional health improvement plan to serve as a strategic population health and health care system  
 45 service plan for the region served by the council. The plan must define the scope of the activities,

1 services and responsibilities that the council proposes to assume upon implementation of the plan.

2 (b) The activities, services and responsibilities that the council proposes to assume under the  
3 plan may include, but are not limited to:

4 (A) Analysis and development of public and private resources, capacities and metrics based on  
5 ongoing regional health assessment activities and population health priorities;

6 (B) Health policy;

7 (C) System design;

8 (D) Outcome and quality improvement;

9 (E) Integration of service delivery; and

10 (F) Workforce development.

11 (3) The council shall submit the plan adopted under subsection (2) of this section to the au-  
12 thority for approval. The authority may approve the plan or return it to the council for modification  
13 prior to approval.

14 (4) The regional health improvement plan adopted under this section shall serve as a guide for  
15 entities serving medical assistance recipients, public health authorities, mental health authorities,  
16 health care systems, payer groups, provider groups and health coalitions in the counties served by  
17 the council.

18 **SECTION 5.** Section 18, chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011, as amended by section 64, chapter 37,  
19 Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:

20 **Sec. 18.** *[No later than the dates of the convening of the 2013 and of the 2015 Legislative Assem-*  
21 *blies as specified in ORS 171.010,]* The Central Oregon Health Council shall report to the *[Seventy-*  
22 *seventh and Seventy-eighth]* **Seventy-ninth** Legislative *[Assemblies]* **Assembly** in the manner  
23 provided by ORS 192.245 about the results of the implementation of the regional health improvement  
24 plan adopted under section 16, *[of this 2011 Act]* **chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011**. The report shall  
25 include, but is not limited to, performance measures of improvement of health outcomes, improve-  
26 ment in care and reductions in the cost of care.

27 **SECTION 6.** Section 19, chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011, is amended to read:

28 **Sec. 19.** Sections 13 to 18, *[of this 2011 Act]* **chapter 418, Oregon Laws 2011**, are repealed on  
29 January 2, *[2016]* **2022**.

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