75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Health Care & Veterans Affairs

Action:	Do Pass as Amended, Be Printed Engrossed, and Be Referred to the
Action.	Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bates, Kruse, Morrisette, Morse, Monnes Anderson
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Robert Shook, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/10, 4/7, 4/16, 4/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes Oregon Patient Centered Primary Care Home Program. Requires Department of Human Services to provide reimbursement for patient-centered primary care home services. Creates Statewide Health Improvement Program to develop goals for reduction of chronic disease factors. Requires department to collaborate with health insurers and purchasers of health plans for publicly funded health plan enrollees receiving care consistent with health improvement program.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Definition of Integrated Health Home Model
- Certification of Integrated Health Home Model
- Community collaborative models

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Changes the name of Integrated Health Home Model to Patient Centered Primary Care Home. Eliminates the certification requirement.

BACKGROUND: Research demonstrates better health outcomes, higher patient satisfaction and lower cost per capital in areas when a strong primary care system is in place. Oregon's current health care delivery system is not equipped to meet the long-term primary care health needs of the population. The patient-centered primary care home model can serve as a blueprint for a delivery system that encourages cost-efficient care and stresses the importance of wellness, prevention and effective disease management. These changes will strengthen the effectiveness of primary care services, improve care coordination and health outcomes, and help reduce the cost of health care.

Senate Bill 456-A will direct the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research to establish a common definition of patient-centered primary care home to be used by public and private stakeholders and in developing standards for certifying health care practices as patient centered primary care homes.

Senate Bill 456-A also establishes a collaborative for state agencies and all patient-centered primary care homes to share information about quality improvement and best practices. The Statewide Health Improvement Program within the Department of Human Services will establish goals for the reduction of chronic disease risk factors, especially tobacco use and obesity. The department will also provide grants to community collaboratives to be used to implement evidence-based prevention initiatives that complement the aims of patient-centered primary care homes and focus on reducing health disparities.

MEASURE: CARRIER: