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Representative Mitch Greenlick, District 33, et. al. 900 Court Street NE, H-493 Salem, OR 97301

Dear Members of the Housel Health Care Committee:

Albertina Kerr strengthens Oregon families and communities by helping children and adults with developmental disabilities and mental health challenges, empowering them to live richer lives. The Youth & Family Division of Albertina Kerr provides a wide range of mental health services for children and provides support for their families. We serve individuals from all over Oregon in community settings and at our facility located in Multnomah County. In 2011-2012, over 1,000 children, adults and families received services from Kerr.

Albertina Kerr provides the following mental health services:

- Early Childhood & School aged Mental Health Outpatient Services
- Individually Tailored Intensive Community Treatment Services
- Subacute Services

Currently we provide services to clients from 7 of the newly created CCO's. In the future, we foresee providing services to clients in over 12 of the CCO's.

The last credentialing process we went through comprised of the following:

- Approximately 20 days to assemble the required paperwork
  - ✤ 4 -6 staff involved with gathering information
  - 6 months elapsed for the last credentialing packet to be approved
  - Due to time elapsed, time sensitive items such as Licenses and insurance certificates expired and renewal copies needed to be resubmitted
  - Estimated expenses per each credentialing process \$1,500. With the passage of HB 2020-3 we estimate a savings of approx. \$12,000 per year as we provide services to children, youth and families across the state

Albertina Kerr urges you to support HB 2020-3 and the "Lean" approach that will give CCO's and nonprofit agencies a stronger and better tool for credentialing and which is in keeping with Oregon's overall goal of transforming health care. Thank you for your support, together we can make a difference in the lives of Oregon's most vulnerable populations.

Sincerely,

Rene' Dante Deras, CPA Director of Accounting Operations Albertina Kerr