

## OAHHS Encourages You To Support SB 140 And The -2 Amendments

Emergency department boarding is a serious issue that is greater than hospitals alone and has interplay with many other stakeholders and agencies including but not limited to insurers, adequate and available placement, workforce, the Oregon State Hospital, funding, and regulations among other issues. This is a community problem that needs a collaborative community approach.

SB 140 is a community approach to preventing ED Boarding in two ways:

1. **Creates community pilot projects.** SB 140 encourages communities to come together to develop local solutions to the growing problem of emergency department boarding as well as convene a task force that would not only highlight areas of concern but would be a safe table to produce recommendations for regional and statewide solutions. The -2 amendment requires that one of the pilot projects be in a rural or frontier designated areas of Oregon.
2. **Creates a stakeholder taskforce.** SB 140 proposes the creation of a task force that would highlight areas of concerns and would be a safe table to produce recommendations for regional and statewide solutions to begin to address both the short-term needs as well as focus on the long-term needs.

### Please Join Us In Supporting SB 140 And The -2 Amendments

