

From the desk of Representative Rachel Prusak



## Oregon Acupuncturists Support SB 60-A

SB 60-A will add acupuncturists to the list of healthcare professionals who are exempt from liability for care provided without compensation.

Uncompensated care is a standard way of earning continuing education credit. It also allows our providers to use their expertise in service to the community. Some examples include:

- Caring for veterans
- Acute opioid interventions
- Natural disaster response

Acupuncture is a relatively low-risk healthcare treatment. However, when providing care without compensation, our members must choose between purchasing supplemental liability insurance or putting themselves at professional risk.

This modest change would bring acupuncturists in line with other providers licensed by the Oregon Medical Board (OMB). We appreciate the OMB for bringing this issue to our attention and we urge a YES vote on SB 60-A.



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