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On Behalf Of:

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I am a medical case manager at a rural medical clinic in LaGrande. I, my fellow case managers, clinic nurses and Providers spend countless hours every day "running" the many insurance mazes trying to get authorizations for prescription drugs, test and procedures. These are "wasted" hours that could be used to provide better care to more people, rather than trying to deal with the all too often "insurance NO." Daily I try to comfort patients and parents who can't get the care their providers prescribe or make the choice to buy less food or be late on their rent to pay out of pocket. We need a more equitable and affordable healthcare system and SB 704 is the necessary next step on the pathway to accomplishing this vital goal. Healthcare is now written in Oregon's Constitution. Please help this become a "true" reality for ALL--pass SB 704

Sincerely,

Runa Sattar