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House Committee on Early Childhood and Human Services

Good afternoon. For the record, my name is Royce Bowlin. I'm here in support of HB3009.

I'm the CEO for the Oregon Alliance – We are a diverse set of community-based health care organizations focused on improving the health, safety, and well-being of Oregon's children, youth, and families across the entire state.

We join with dedicated community leaders, our partners in government, allied fields, and those we serve to deliver effective policies, best practices, and resources. We work to help all kids live better lives and for families and communities to thrive in every corner of Oregon. HB3009 provides that opportunity to thrive.

We have requested amendments to the bill. The highlights include:

- Move the primary responsibility from ODHS to OHA. With OHA being the Medicaid authority, they are responsible for the oversight of the Coordinated Care Organizations which are more likely to stay in a kids life when compared to ODHS/CW.
- Removed OYA from the bill.
- Cleaned up the language about who qualifies.
- Added trauma informed and best practice language.
- Adding a fiscal to the bill.

I urge you to support HB3009 with the amendments.

Thank you,

Royce Bowlin
CEO