

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Oregon Health Authority and Department of Human Services Redetermination, Coverage Extension, and Basic Health Plan

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Campos

On February 21, the Human Services Subcommittee recommended acknowledging receipt of a report from the Oregon Health Authority and Department of Human Services on redeterminations, coverage extension, and the basic health plan.

The report provided a brief overview on the redeterminations process that included a timeline and statistics on the number of individuals that have completed the process and retained coverage under the Oregon Health Plan, and those that are either awaiting processing or have been found ineligible. Of those awaiting processing, roughly 107,000 have had their redeterminations paused due to technical issues. The agencies have recently received approval for an extended timeline to process these by next February.

The report noted that for the temporary coverage extension for member between 138% and 200% of the federal poverty level, most of the caseload of 18,169 that existed in November of last year will move to the basic health plan. The remaining portion of the report provides a detailed discussion of the basic health plan program including timelines, enrollment, technical implementation issues and plans, and stakeholder engagement. The report states that the program will launch in July of this year.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval.