

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **Oregon Health Authority School-Based Services**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Human Services Subcommittee  
Carrier: Representative Valderrama

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On February 21, the Human Services Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Oregon Health Authority to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in the amount of \$2.5 million to implement, enhance, or expand the provision of health services through school-based entities under Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program.

Total federal program funding is \$50 million. Maximum available grant awards to individual states are \$2.5 million. The grant performance period is three years beginning July 1, 2024 and grant applications are due March 25, 2024.

The school-based health services program is a cooperative program supported by OHA and the Department of Education. OHA intends to use the funding to support a new, limited duration position to assist existing program staffing to improve state and local infrastructure supporting school-based health services. Funding will also support contracted services for training, technical assistance, and billing assistance. Funded program activities will address data issues, expand availability of service reimbursement, increase participation by school districts in Medicaid reimbursement, and address administrative barriers.

It is anticipated that the agency will seek position authority and additional federal funds expenditure authority following the notice of award.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval.