



**Western
University**
OF HEALTH SCIENCES



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President's Presentation

Oregon Senate Health Care Committee

PRIORITY

BUILD PRIMARY CARE IN OREGON

Build the Current and Future Health in Oregon



Impact with a Human Touch

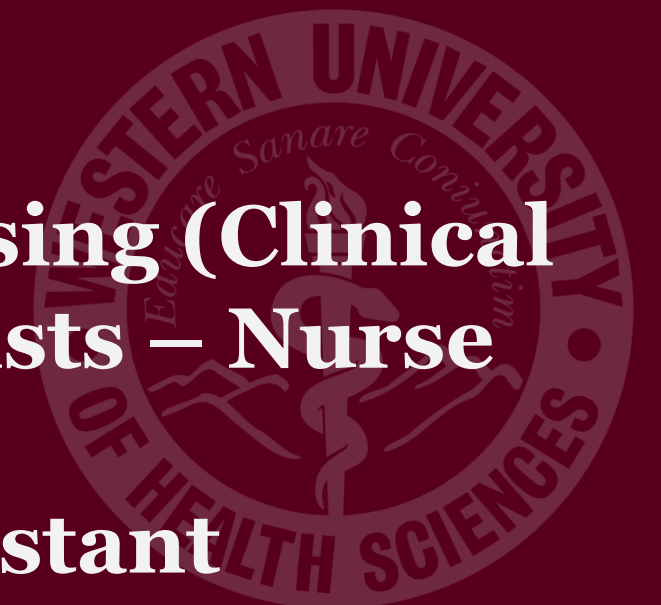


Focus - Train students for careers in Primary Care

- Family Medicine (DO)
- Physical Therapy (DPT)
- Behavioral Health (Institute of Interprofessional Behavioral Health - IBHI)

Add:

- Graduate Nursing (Clinical Nurse Specialists – Nurse Practitioners)
- Physician Assistant



BUILD QUALITY PRIMARY CARE

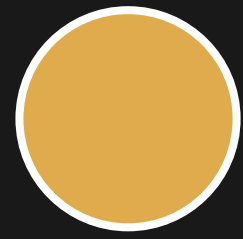
**COMP-Northwest's first DO
graduating class graduated in 2015
>1100 Physicians**

**CHS-Northwest's first DPT
graduating class graduated in 2024**

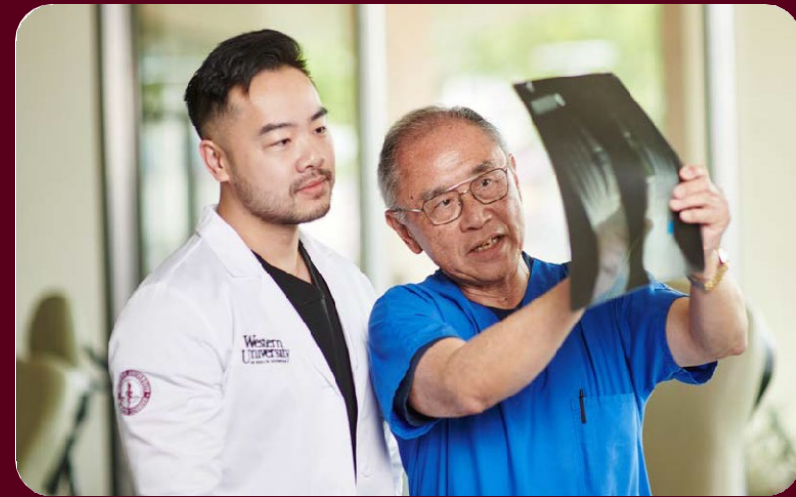
**Fully Accredited
Achieved the Maximum 10 years
Accreditation
Exceptional Outcome**

Year	COMP-Northwest	CHS-Northwest
2015	97*	
2016	105	
2017	97	
2018	102	
2019	104	
2020	106	
2021	103	
2022	105	
2023	91	
2024	103	46*
2025	107	48
	*inaugural graduating class of that program	





Academic and Clinical Excellence



3,700+
**Graduate-Level
Students Enrolled**



23,000+
**Advanced
Degree Alumni**

30+
**Programs for the
Health Sciences**

**WASC
Accredited**

- **College of Medicine**
- **College of Dental Medicine**
- **College of Graduate Nursing**
- **Physician Assistant Program**
- **Doctor of Physical Therapy**
- **Institute of Interprofessional
of Behavioral Health**





**Tier #1:
16 medical schools in the US
Best Primary Care Medical School training**

•Most Graduates Practicing in Medically Underserved Areas

•Most Graduates Practicing in Primary Care Fields

•Most Graduates Practicing in Rural Area

•Best Medical Schools: Primary Care

**U.S. NEWS
& WORLD REPORT - 2025**

**WesternU's Medical School:
One of the best medical schools
in the country**



Interprofessional Behavioral Health Institute (IBHI)

- IBHI **approved** by the university.
- **Advisory Board** formed, comprised of community and political partners including Samaritan Health Services, Benton, Linn and Lane public health departments, Trillium Health Services and many others.
- **IBHI Task Force** Formed
- **IBHI Acting Executive Director: Dr. Mandi Hudson**
- **Goal to develop into the College of Behavioral Health**
 - Hybrid, and Online
 - **Master's and Doctorate programs under consideration:**
 - **Master's in Social Work (MSW)**
 - **Doctor of Psychology (PsyD)**
 - **Master's in Psychology**
 - Exploring certificate programs and micro-credentials that could be stackable and ultimately build towards one or more master's degrees.



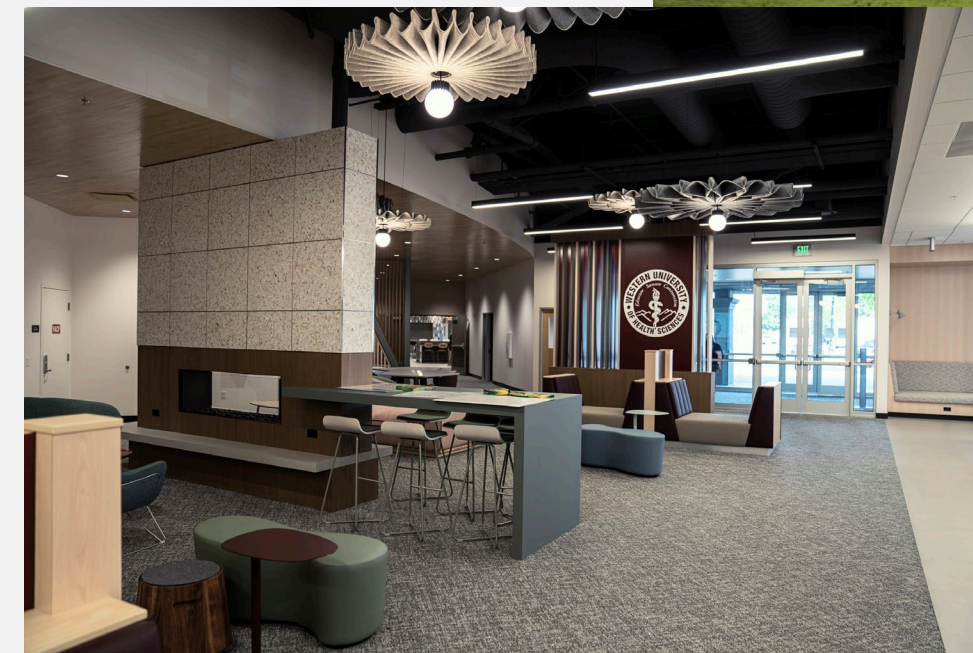
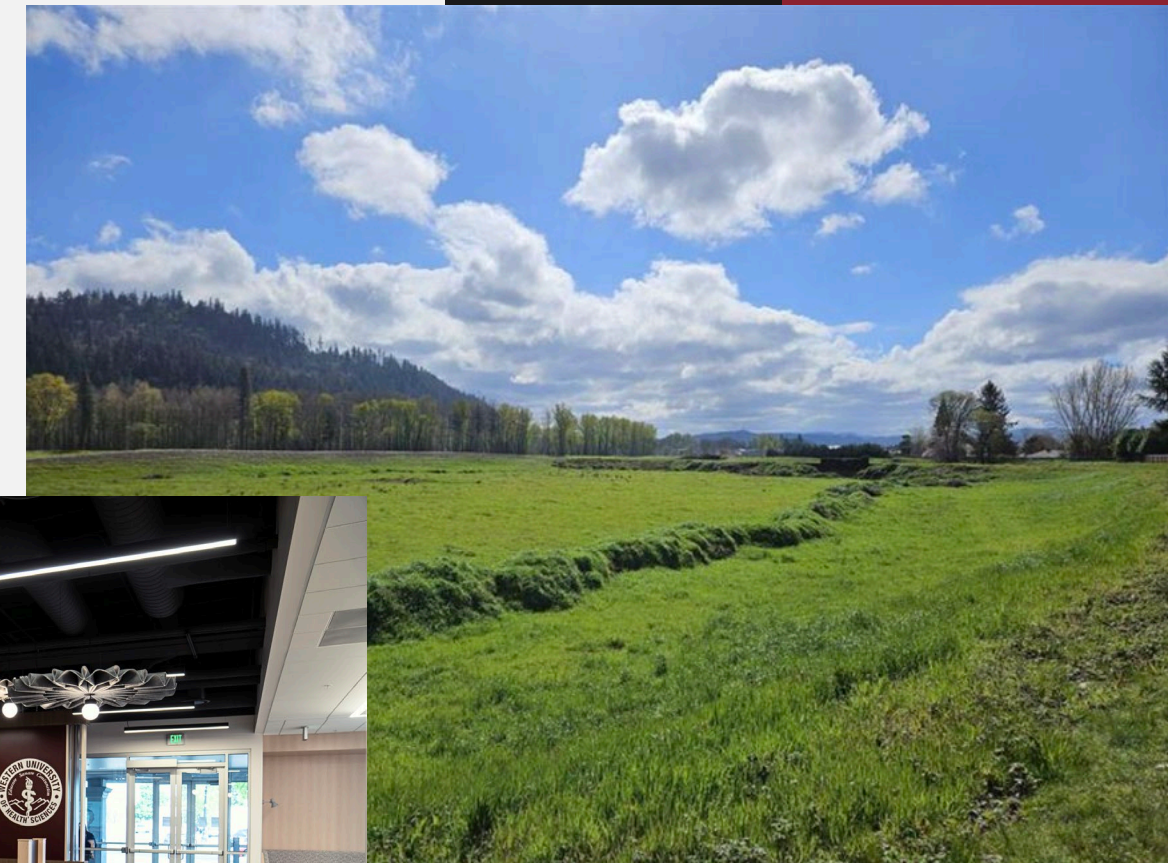
Kennedy Consulting

Timeline:

Search underway for a Founding Dean – FY2025-2026

In parallel with the new College approval – FY2026 - 2027

WesternU – Oregon NEW RIVERFRONT CAMPUS



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Highlights

Helicopter simulation Transport trainings with Life Flight Network



**Tradition to welcome future Health care leaders
Annual Mini-Medical School event**



Clinics serve the community



Students volunteered at the 2024 Olympic Trials at Hayward Field



Solution COMP-NW GRADS!

29% remain in PNW

20% remain in Oregon

58-62% are training in Primary Care

22% are training in Family Medicine

67-70% of those training in Oregon remain in Oregon



Match Day 2025

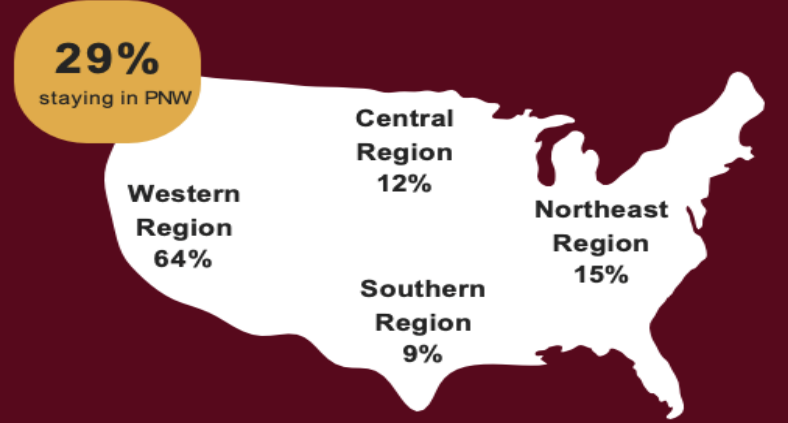
100%
Placement Rate

57%
pursuing careers in primary care

Top Specialties
Internal Medicine 25%
Family Medicine 22%
Emergency Medicine 11%
Pediatrics 10%
Psychiatry 9%

MATCHED ACROSS 26 DIFFERENT STATES

19% Staying in Oregon



Matched in 15 different specialties

107 STUDENTS
Will begin residency in July

Learn more about Match Day



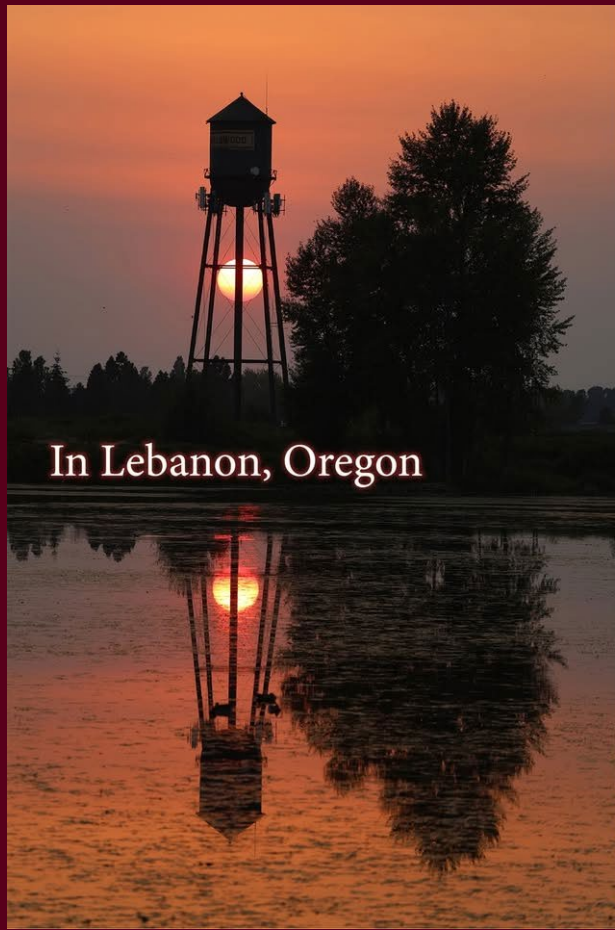
COMP-NW!

Solution

Expand COMP – NW - 125

New Residency Programs Partnerships with Healthcare systems

Explore new campus sites throughout the State of Oregon 2028/2029



Samaritan Health Services
Providence Health & Services
Legacy Health
St. Charles Health System



US Health Resources Services Administration Data

PRIMARY CARE

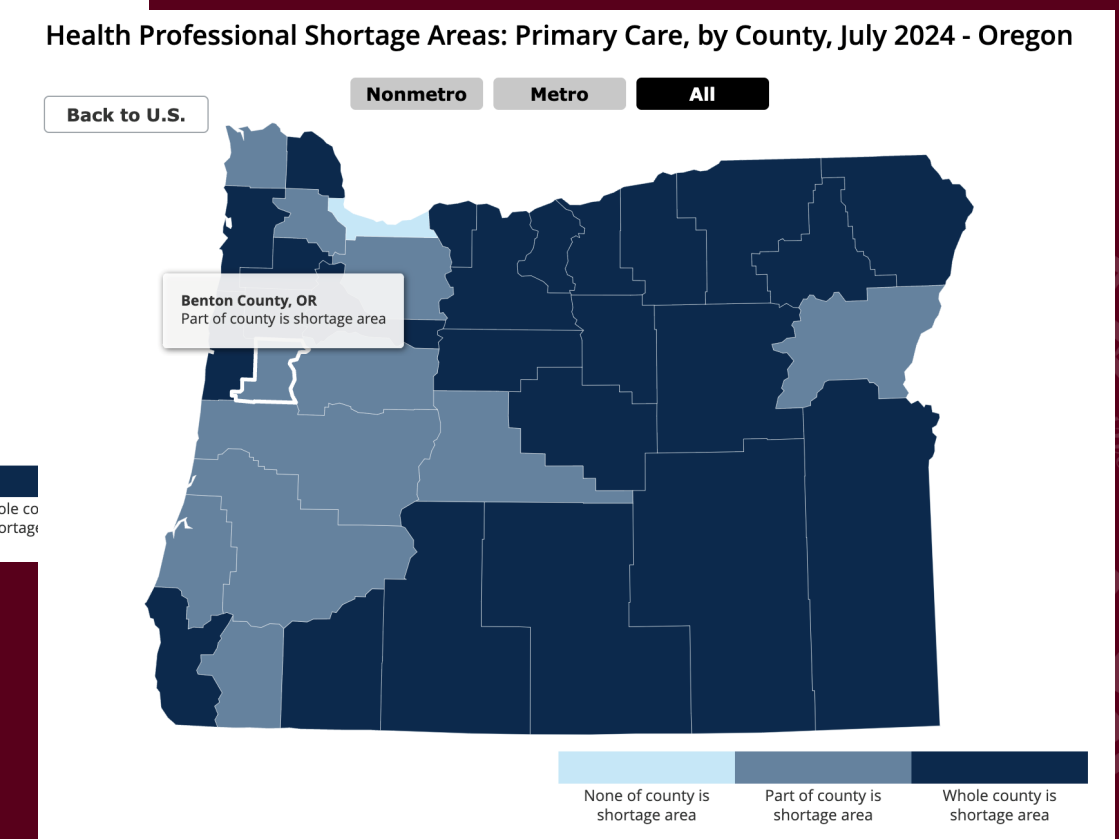
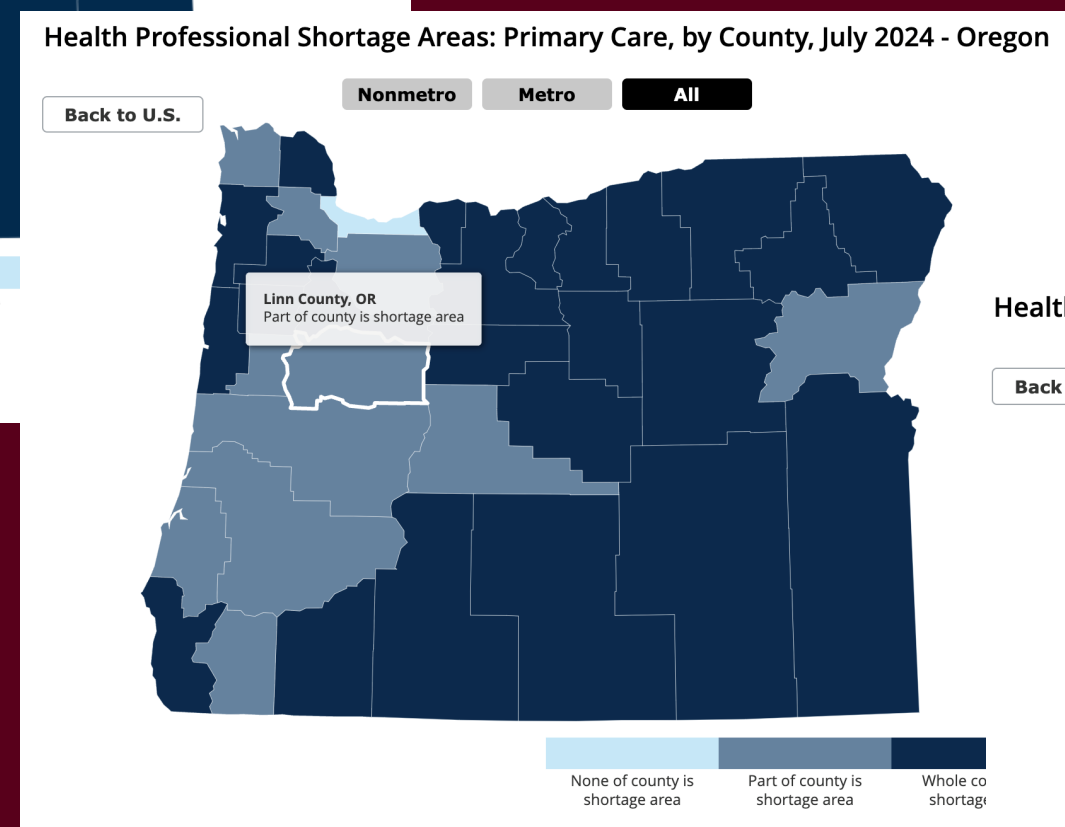
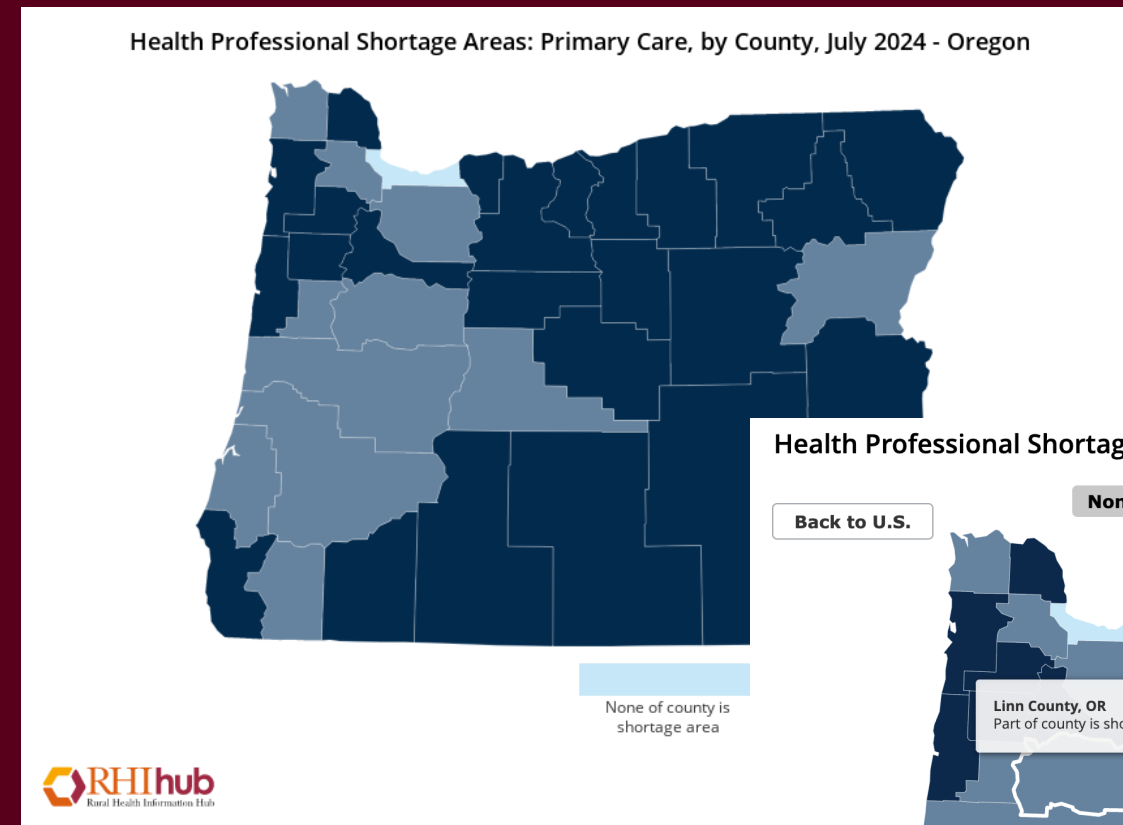
DENTAL HEALTH

MENTAL HEALTH

Oregon

HPSAs

COUNTIES



WesternU - A Solution to Healthcare Needs and Workforce Shortages

Three top categories -
HPSAs

Primary Care

Dental Health

Mental Health

