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NDs provide services akin to those of general physicians and Nurse practitioners. They receive similar if not more education in preventative medicine and are fully trained and equipped to provide pharmaceutical interventions.

By not paying them the same as other healthcare professionals, Oregon is showing their true colors in discrimination towards holistic care for its citizens and indigenous sciences. Pay parity is requested and should be honored for these individuals who serve so many of our underrepresented communities, many of whom been harmed by a western lens of treatment and not had the root cause of their illnesses explored and appropriately treated.

NDs engage with evidence based practices and research and provide essential services and supports to our communities. Pay them fairly!