

# House Bill 3241

Sponsored by Representative BENTZ (at the request of Dr. Sandra Dunbrasky)

## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Oregon Health Authority to establish standards to permit primary care provider in patient centered primary care home to refer patients to available mental health provider within same patient centered primary care home.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to patient centered primary care homes; creating new provisions; amending ORS 414.655;  
3 and declaring an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 414.655 is amended to read:

6 414.655. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall establish standards for the utilization of patient  
7 centered primary care homes in coordinated care organizations.

8 (2) Each coordinated care organization shall implement, to the maximum extent feasible, patient  
9 centered primary care homes, including developing capacity for services in settings that are acces-  
10 sible to families, diverse communities and underserved populations. The organization shall require  
11 its other health and services providers to communicate and coordinate care with the patient cen-  
12 tered primary care home in a timely manner using electronic health information technology.

13 (3) Standards established by the authority for the utilization of patient centered primary care  
14 homes by coordinated care organizations:

15 (a) May require the use of federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics, school-based  
16 health clinics and other safety net providers that qualify as patient centered primary care homes to  
17 ensure the continued critical role of those providers in meeting the needs of underserved popu-  
18 lations.

19 (b) **Must allow a primary care provider in a patient centered primary care home to refer**  
20 **a patient in need of mental health services to an available mental health provider within the**  
21 **same patient centered primary care home.**

22 (4) Each coordinated care organization shall report to the authority on uniform quality measures  
23 prescribed by the authority by rule for patient centered primary care homes.

24 (5) Patient centered primary care homes must participate in the learning collaborative described  
25 in ORS 442.210 (3).

26 **SECTION 2.** (1) **The amendments to ORS 414.655 by section 1 of this 2015 Act becomes**  
27 **operative on January 1, 2016.**

28 (2) **The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the operative date specified**  
29 **in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the authority to exercise, on or**  
30 **after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 and powers conferred on the authority by the amendments to ORS 414.655 by section 1 of this  
2 2015 Act.

3 **SECTION 3.** This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
4 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect  
5 on its passage.  
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