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Advocating for Oregon's Hospitals and the Patients They Serve.



The Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems is dedicated to the future of quality health care in Oregon.

The following principles guide us in everything we do.

Oregon's health care system needs reform. Patients and families must be engaged and empowered to value good health and make sound health care decisions. That means having access to accurate information and the right care in the right place at the right time (care that works).

Purchasers, insurers, providers and policy makers must work together to create a sustainable and effective system of care. In order to redirect the health care system to focus on a collective goal of optimal health and value, we must actively influence the behavior of all stakeholders to achieve alignment in providing and purchasing health care.

The health care system's financing structure is misaligned. To achieve the best clinical outcomes and cost containment, focus should be placed on financing evidence-based and coordinated care.

The system must be designed to improve community health. Access to care must not be limited to those with traditional insurance coverage. Additionally, coverage of care should not be limited to traditional insurance models. The adequacy and availability of health care providers is vital to ensuring access to health care.

We believe that any sustainable health care reform proposal must include the following principles:

- *Commitment and Sustainability*
- *Access and Coverage*
- *Financing and Affordability*
- *Accountability and Quality*

To download the complete text of the OAHHS Health Care Reform Principles:
<http://www.oahhs.org/principles>

Find Valuable Hospital-Specific Information Online:

www.oahhs.org/facts

Demographics, utilization and expense comparisons

www.oahhs.org/pricepoint

Hospital charges by DRG, reimbursement by payer and financial assistance guidelines

www.oahhs.org/quality

Hospital quality of care measures reported to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

www.oahhs.org/media

Media resources, contacts and online press materials





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