



Introduction

PacificSource Community Solutions of Central Oregon is a Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) serving Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members in Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson and parts of Klamath counties. The Central Oregon Health Council governs our CCO.

RHIP Process

The framework for the Central Oregon Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP) was based on nine strategies established and agreed upon by the three counties and the Central Oregon Health Board for the county-specific strategic plans. Preparation for the first two strategies (improve equity and access, better health and well-being) required a thorough review of qualitative and quantitative health data. The RHIP Data and Assessment Work Group met to review the data and to determine the critical issues impacting the tri-county area. The Committee initially identified nine priority areas, and accepted a tenth area (healthy environments) to the list.

RHIP Priorities

1. Health Disparity and Inequities
2. Access to Resources and Quality Services
3. Early Childhood Wellness
4. Safety, Crime and Violence
5. Preventive Care and Services
6. Chronic Disease Prevention
7. Alcohol, Drug and Tobacco Use
8. Behavioral Health and Suicide Prevention
9. Oral Health
10. Healthy Environments

Strategies selected to address RHIP Health Priority #4: Early Childhood Wellness

Organizational Strategies:

- Develop universal screening and data collection systems for prenatal through six year olds that integrate with regional systems.
- Screen all children prenatal through five years of age in all five domains at pre-determined intervals.

Community Strategies:

- Support early childhood programs which implement and evaluate early childhood wellness media campaigns
- Coordinate support for families across early learning and health care systems through family resource managers and community health workers.
- Conduct assessments to determine whether evidence-based curriculums are being used and whether early childhood programs are effective in preparing children for school.

Goal: Develop and coordinate early childhood data collection and services.



Interpersonal Strategies:

- Educate parents about the importance of quality early childhood care and educational settings, and what standards to look for so they will expect and receive quality care.

Community Strategies:

- Increase involvement from the business community in supporting early childhood programs as an economic development strategy.

Public Policy Strategies:

- Fund child care assistance programs adequately such as Employment Related Day Care (ERDC).