

# ASQ Oregon: Exploring Statewide Online Developmental Screening

## Problem Statement and Opportunity

- Developmental screening, one of Oregon's CCO incentive measures, is a critical part of primary care for children within the broader context of developmental promotion and surveillance.
- Developmental screening is also performed by a variety of providers within the early learning system, including: home visitors, Head Start providers, childcare providers and EI/ECSE providers.
- The Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) is the developmental screening tool used most commonly by Oregon primary care providers. The Early Learning Council (ELC) adopted the ASQ as the general development screening tool for use in early learning.
- Currently, most developmental screening is done via paper, with no infrastructure or consistent methodology for sharing screening results. Potential risks to efficiency, coordination of services, referral, and follow-up exist.

The University of Oregon, whose researchers developed the ASQ, maintains an online screening option for parents: ASQ Oregon ([www.asqoregon.com](http://www.asqoregon.com)). Parents can complete a free, online ASQ questionnaire and receive email receipt of results as well as various child development materials. The Oregon Health Authority and Early Learning Division is exploring a partnership with the University of Oregon to expand the ASQ Oregon tool for statewide use.

## Desirable features/attributes of a statewide online screening tool:

- 1. Improve access to screening:** maintain parent/public access to online screening; create statewide messaging regarding importance of developmental screening
- 2. Care coordination/Efficiency:** share information with care team (e.g. initially PCP)
  - a. Incorporate FERPA/HIPAA consent for information sharing across health/education (parental opt-out possible)
  - b. Coordinate with statewide health information exchange/technology
- 3. System accountability:** establish data repository for potential tracking of screening events
- 4. Technical support:** establish robust technical support for seamless online screening
- 5. Future desired features:** referral capacity; referral tracking; routing results to additional care team providers (ELDP, Hub, etc.)

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