

**“I count on my healthcare coverage for medications and for services that allow me to avoid expensive hospitalizations.”**

*– Karen Escobar, Oregon Health Plan member, The Dalles*



**YES on Measure 101 provides healthcare for low-income children, families, seniors, people with disabilities.**

### **VOTING YES ON MEASURE 101 MEANS...**

- ✓ Every child in Oregon has access to healthcare.
- ✓ Seniors and people with disabilities get the care they need.
- ✓ Hard-working Oregonians have healthcare they can afford.
- ✓ Everyone has access to a nurse or doctor when they are sick.

### **VOTING NO ON MEASURE 101 MEANS...**

- ✗ 400,000 Oregon children face healthcare cuts.
- ✗ Premiums could go up for 210,000 Oregonians.
- ✗ Low-income seniors, families and people with disabilities could lose access to care.

**“Every Oregonian should be able to visit a nurse or doctor when they need it. With Measure 101, we will make that a reality.”**

*– Cheryl Cosgrove, Intensive Care Nurse, La Grande*

### **What would Measure 101 do?**

The measure asks voters to support a plan that guarantees 95 percent of Oregonians, including children, seniors and people with disabilities, maintain access to healthcare. It also reduces insurance premiums for those who buy their own coverage through an assessment on insurance companies, hospitals and healthcare providers. The plan was developed by healthcare experts, doctors, nurses, patient advocates, AARP, unions and hospitals.

### **If Measure 101 passes in January, what happens?**

One million vulnerable Oregonians, including 400,000 children, who count on Medicaid, will continue to receive healthcare coverage.

### **If Measure 101 does not pass, what happens?**

State funding for healthcare will be cut by \$210 to \$320 million, which will result in the loss of up to \$5 billion in federal funds. That cuts healthcare for low-income children, families, seniors and people with disabilities. If hundreds of thousands of Oregonians lose coverage, it does not only harm the health of our friends, family and neighbors, it drives up costs for everyone. When people cannot afford a doctor's visit they often are forced to go to the emergency room when they are sick or put off getting care until their condition is more severe (and expensive.)

### **What will be the effect on healthcare costs if Measure 101 passes?**

Measure 101 helps stabilize health insurance rates for all of us. It provides access to lower cost preventive care for vulnerable Oregonians, which improves health and reduces the use of expensive options like the emergency room. Additionally, more than 210,000 Oregonians will see a reduction in premiums of, on average, \$300 a year, thanks to the state reinsurance program funded by Measure 101.

### **How many other states use provider assessments to fund healthcare?**

Provider assessments like Measure 101 are used in 49 states and are a federally approved and essential path to providing healthcare coverage to lower income children and families, seniors and people with disabilities. Oregon first began using provider assessments like Measure 101 in 2004.

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