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# Spotlight on Health Care Value Initiatives in Oregon

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#### **Welcome and Introduction**

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#### **Agenda for Today**

Welcome & Introduction – Lynn Quincy (CU, Hub)

Price Transparency Bills – Jesse Ellis O'Brien (OSPIRG)

Hospital Rate Setting – Felisa Hagins (SEIU Local 49)

Network Adequacy Bill – Jesse Ellis O'Brien (OSPIRG)

Q&A









### **Price Transparency**

Jesse Ellis O'Brien

Health Care Advocate OSPIRG



# Intro to Oregon

- "Not as blue as you think"
- History of health reform efforts





# Why Health Care Price Transparency?

- Basic consumer protection issue
- Empowering consumers
- Competition and cost



### **Senate Bill 891**

- Supported by OSPIRG & coalition
- Posted prices online & on location
  - Negotiated rates by payer
  - Machine-readable format
- Price estimates on request, including any additional fees
  - Facility or physician fees
  - Out-of-network charges

### **Senate Bill 900**

- Supported by Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems
- Average hospital prices posted to state-run website

- Historical pricing data from APCD
- No role for providers or insurers

# **OSPIRG Strategy**

- Clear "bright line" policy
- Bipartisan Legislative sponsors
- Coalition including labor, small business, Oregon Nurses Association, Consumers Union, many individual physicians
- Extensive media outreach

### **NEXT STEPS**

 After discussing possible compromises, SB 891 died in committee

- SB 900 moving forward
- Maintaining momentum

Legislative champs still engaged









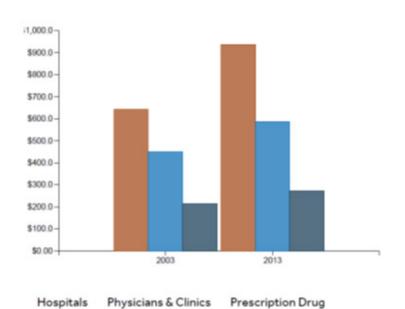
### **Hospital Rate Review**

**Felisa Hagins** 

Political Director SEIU Local 49



# Hospital Costs Make up a Large Portion of Health Care Costs



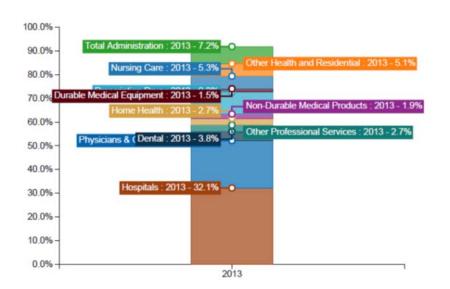
Hospitals, Physicians & Clinics, Prescription Drug Spending by All Sources of Funds, 2003 compared with 2013

U.S. \$ Billions - Inflation Adjusted

#### **U.S. HEALTH EXPENDITURES 2013**

On Hospitals, Physicians & Clinics, Dental, Other Professional Services, Home Health, Non-Durable Medical Products, Prescription Drug, Durable Medical Equipment, Nursing Care, Other Health and Residential, Total Administration, As a Percent of Total National Health Expenditures





#### **Problems in Hospital Pricing**

- Wide Variations Among Hospitals
- Significant Mark-Ups
- No Oversight or Accountability
- Escalating Prices Pours More Money into Hospitals
- Market Dysfunction

# Oregon Uses Rate Review To Control Costs in Complex Industries





# Maryland has had Success in Controlling Hospital Costs

- 7 states have implemented rate regulations focused on hospitals payments
- Maryland is the most enduring example (1971)
- Maryland has saved over \$40 billion in hospital costs
- The Maryland model is being updated to reflect payment incentives and reform

#### What Were the Arguments Against It

- Medicare
- Pricing is Complex
- It doesn't allow for alternative payment methods









### **Network Adequacy**

Jesse Ellis O'Brien

Health Care Advocate OSPIRG



## Network Adequacy: HB 2468

- Oregon's first major network adequacy protections, signed into law in May.
- Two ways of demonstrating adequacy
  - Time and distance standard
  - "Factor-based" approach
- "Factor-based" approach meant to consider delivery system transformation & efforts to address cost and quality – devil is in the details

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# Questions for the panelists?

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#### Thank you!

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Jesse Ellis O'Brien and Felisa Hagins

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