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Behavioral Health Resource Networks Measure 110

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Legislative Overview

Legislative History

- 2020: Oregon voters passed Measure 110 (Drug Addiction Treatment and Recovery Act)
 1. Decriminalizes drug possession
 2. Creates fund from cannabis revenue for substance use services
 3. Creates law enforcement citation and referral process
 4. Establishes the Oversight and Accountability Council
 5. Services for communities most impacted by the war on drugs
- 2021: Senate Bill 722 established the Behavioral Health Resource Networks (BHRN)
 - BHRNs are groups of providers that can use cannabis tax funds to provide free screening, assessment, treatment, housing, peers, employment support, and harm reduction.

Legislative History continued

- 2023: House Bill 2513 further clarified the roles of BHRNs and the OAC
- 2024: House Bill 4002
 1. Recriminalized drug possession
 2. Created deflection grants
 3. Eliminated citation process
- 2025: Senate Bill 610
 1. Makes the OAC advisory (OHA will make future BHRN funding decisions)
 2. Expands OAC membership

Why the shift?

- Fentanyl exploded in Oregon
- Housing crisis
- Public drug use
- Crime trends (gun violence, domestic violence)
- Post pandemic economic impact to Portland
- Swinging pendulum of criminal justice policy and philosophy



What are Behavioral Health Resource Networks?

BHRN Overview

- Each of Oregon's 36 Counties must have a BHRN, which is a collection of network providers that together provide:
 - screening,
 - assessment,
 - Substance Use Disorder services,
 - peer supports,
 - housing, and
 - harm reduction.
- Services must be free, and funds shall not supplant Medicaid or other resources.
- 234 providers across the state
- Current grant cycle: July 2025-June 2029



Administration and evaluation

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- 22 member team supports grant administration and OAC
- Improved data collection efforts underway:
 - Integrating BHRN data into statewide client-level system
 - Grant and expenditure administration
- Upcoming areas of focus:
 - Integrating BHRN services into statewide systems of care
 - Re-launching OAC with new members and group agreements
 - Legislative data report in April 2026
 - Preparation for 2029 funding cycle

Questions and Discussion