MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF

Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization, LLC

(EOCCO)

May 16, 2025
Saint Alphonsus Medical Center
3325 Pocahontas Road
Baker City, OR 97814
And Teleconference

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Robin Richardson, Harold Geller, Ann Ford, Oceana Gonzales-Banuelos, Chanel Kelly, Dr. Liz Powers, Shawn Gee, Lannie Checketts, Jeremy Davis, James Williams, Dan Grigg, and Christy Bracewell Trotter.
OTHERS PRESENT:	Sean Jessup, Summer Prantl Nudelman, Mikayla Briare, Joe Greenman, Nick Gross, Kayla Jones, Emma Loftin, Jenna Grantham, Mina Zarnegin, Katie Stalsberg ODS Community Health. Dr. Chuck Hofmann, EOCCO clinical consultant; Dennis Burke, EOCCO, consultant; David Herrick, Material Health Strategies; Yami Gonzalez Perez, OHA Innovator Agent; Ken Hart Valley Family Health Care, Tony Swart St Alphonsus Hospital, Landon Dybdal Lake District Hospital, Al Barton, Mid-Columbia Center for Living; Shari Sealander, New Directions Northwest, Selena Acosta Community In Action.
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION:	EOCCO Board members and guests briefly introduced themselves. Mr. Richardson provided welcoming remarks.
CALL TO ORDER:	Mr. Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:34 AM.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	**Upon a motion by Mr. Geller and seconded by Mr. Gee, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the meeting of the Board of January 30, 2025, a copy of which was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting.**
CORPORATE GOVERANCE ANNUAL DISCLOSURE:	Mr. Greenman provided an overview of EOCCO's 2025 Corporate Governance Annual Disclosure (CGAD) submitted to OHA on May 31, 2025. A copy of the 2025 CGAD was circulated to board members in the board meeting packet.
CEO UPDATES:	Mr. Jessup provided an overview of key EOCCO operational highlights. He first provided an update on 2025 financials focusing on Q1 performance with the

	benchmark financial forecast. A large outlier claim is driving most of the recorded loss. EOCCO rates are flat for 2025, so managing expenses has become a key operational priority. The legislature is in session and contracting, rate-setting, dental rates, and CCO contract length are all being evaluated by Oregon's political leadership and stakeholders. Federal legislation referred to as "One Big Beautiful Bill" will also impact Medicaid finance if Congress passes it. The legislation has contained provisions to curtail match rates, freeze provider taxes, constrain directed payments, increasing reenrollment requirements, and adding beneficiary work requirements. Proposals that have so far been excluded are per capita caps and cuts to the federal match rates for the expansion population. We will continue to track this legislation as Congress debates and amends it so we are prepared to continue to proactively manage these policy challenges.
OHA PROGRAM UPDATES:	Ms. Gonzalez Perez first discussed her positive experience with opening a supportive housing project in Ontario and she thanked EOCCO for its involvement with the group that developed the project. She next provided an overview of numerous Oregon Health Authority program initiatives potentially impactful for Coordinated Care Organizations. OHA is holding a live Q&A session regarding federal policy initiatives on May 29, 2025. Ms. Gonzalez Perez provided an update on the OHA 1115 waiver implementation sharing that HRSN benefit rollout has experienced delays in the housing and nutrition benefits, but full implementation will occur in 2026. Mr. Jessup shared that the CCOs struggle with their relationship with OHA over concerns with constrained funding, combined with expanding requirements and mandates. Over time, these dynamics are unsustainable. Mr. Davis asked about the overall fitness of CCOs in light of these significant challenges. Mr. Richardson shared that OHA does not seem to intend to threaten CCOs, but the agency's turnover has caused a lack of institutional memory about the unique nature of CCO operations and OHA is treating them more like standard managed care plans. CCOs must strengthen their efforts to tell this story and strengthen our advocacy efforts. Ms. Gonzalez Perez shared her view that the CCOs have good points on these issues and she hopes to be a conduit for these topics to help improve outcomes and the system for everyone. Mr.

	Davis commented that this is an important discussion and that we need to educate our legislators about these issues.
LCHP/CAC UPDATE:	Ms. Kelly provided the board with an update on the meetings and initiatives of EOCCO CAC and LCHPs.
BOARD ENGAGEMENT – PROVIDER PARTNER UPDATE:	Mr. Swart provided an overview of Saint Alphonsus' suite of medical services as a critical access hospital. In addition to the resources available in Baker City, he explained how the Saint Alphonsus/Trinity health system supports local resources, making it possible to sustain and expand services.
COMMUNICATING IMPACT AND VALUE OF EOCCO UPDATE:	Mr. Herrick provided a presentation on work that he is doing to help EOCCO communicate its value to the state and tell critical stories of how EOCCO touches lives and makes a difference in the communities of eastern Oregon. There will be outreach to collect the stories to build on the pillars of communication. Mr. Herrick shared that Moda's commitment to support the viability of the hospitals has been the kind of leadership that has allowed the CCO to prosper. Mr. Jessup asked about the timeline. Mr. Herrick responded that the communication kits for owners and partners will happen first. Ms. Gonzales Perez shared that the findings regarding EOCCO's success positively impact the members. The members do experience engagement with their providers.
2024 QUALITY MEASURE RESULTS:	Ms. Briare provided an overview of EOCCO's performance on achieving OHA incentive measures for 2024. EOCCO achieved 13 of 15 measured targets. Mr. Jessup stated that the EOCCO team led by Ms. Prantl Nudelman should be commended for working with OHA to make sure that we get credit. They excel at producing data to demonstrate EOCCO's good performance on quality initiatives.
FINANCIAL UPDATE:	Ms. Stalsberg began by providing a brief summary of the 2024 Deloitte audit. Next, she updated the board on EOCCO's investment results for the first quarter of 2025. **Upon a motion by Dr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Grigg, the Board unanimously approved EOCCO's investment transactions for Q1, 2025.** She next provided an updated calculation of what we expect EOCCO to pay in the SHARE program for 2025. Finally, she reviewed the balance sheet and P&L statement of 2025. The operating loss in the first quarter was largely attributable to insufficient rates from OHA, substantially large (outlier) claims, and a high claims trend.

ACTUARIAL UPDATE:	Ms. Grantham provided a presentation of EOCCO's actuarial trend drivers. A key cost driver of EOCCO is its hospital spending is concentrated at Type A/B and other (out-of-state) facilities. Mr. Jessup added that these issues are elevated as an issue for OHA leadership to reply to and respond. Ms. Grantham next led a 2024 provider withhold discussion. **Upon a motion by Dr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Gee, the Board unanimously approved up to $4.2 million in quality fund and the return of 100% of the 2024 retained provider withhold.**
2025 COST SAVINGS INITIATIVE UPDATE:	Ms. Jones provided an update on targeted cost savings identified earlier in the year. Each category of savings has had some measure of savings, and the year to date savings are $803,000. Savings will accelerate after the Providence contract cancellation and our planned reduction in utilization of Washington hospitals.
2025 SHARE AND GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS:	Dr. Hoffman began his presentation by updating the board on the 2025 CBIR new ideas timeline. He next shared the grant committee funding recommendations. **Upon a motion by Mr. Geller and seconded by Mr. Grigg, the Board unanimously approved the grant funding recommendations presented by Dr. Hoffman and provided to the board in advance of the meeting.** Next, Ms. Prantl provided an update on the SHARE program and an overview of the 2025 SHARE recommendations. Mr. Grigg asked if every LCHP receives funding. Ms. Prantl responded in the affirmative. **Upon a motion by Mr. Davis by Mr. Gee, the Board unanimously approved the grant funding recommendations presented by Dr. Hoffman and provided to the board in advance of the meeting.**
PUBLIC COMMENT AND ADJOURNMENT	Public comment was announced and offered by the chair. No public comment offered. The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 PM.

Secretary