



# OREGON FREE AND CHARITABLE CLINIC CONSORTIUM

## 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

### FREE AND CHARITABLE CLINICS IN A CHANGING WORLD.

As this annual report is finalized, One Big Beautiful Bill (aka HB 1) has been signed into federal law. The bill is far-reaching and it will be years before the full implications are known and felt.

The proposed changes have significant implications for all Oregonians including the patients served by the free and charitable clinics as well as Federally Qualified Health Centers, Rural Clinics and Community Clinics. Enhanced subsidies for people buying their health insurance on the Exchange expire the end of this year. Premium increases are likely to be large - and unaffordable for many. Initial work requirements will be implemented by Jan. 1, 2026. Re-enrollment verification will be required every 6 months, a change from the current OR policy of annually. This goes into effect Jan. 1, 2028.

Oregon has a long history of being progressive and working to include every state resident having access to health care services,

While we don't yet know how the free and charitable clinics will adjust and evolve, we expect to be here. Serving our communities, working in partnership with local hospitals, providers and health systems.

### MISSION STATEMENT

The Oregon Free and Charitable Clinic Consortium (OFCCC) exists to support and strengthen the free and charitable clinics of Oregon through professional networking, advocacy, and education.

### 2024 STATS\*

#### Patients served

- Patient visits – 28,200+
- New patients served – 2,412
- Unique patients – 3,380

#### Languages

- Spanish is the most common
- English is the second
- There is a plethora of others

#### Common diagnoses

- Hypertension
- Diabetes
- Anxiety/depression

#### Volunteers

- Clinical - 411
- Non-clinical - 696

#### Services MAY include

- Primary Care
- Dental services
- Mental health services
- Access to medications

Each clinic determines it's services based on community needs and resources available)

*"In any given moment we have two options: to step forward into growth or step back into safety." Abraham Maslow*



## OFCCC MARKS FIRST STATE-WIDE CONFERENCE

November 2024 marked the first time the members of OFCCC met in person. Our 2-day meeting in Salem included Executive Directors, Medical Directors, Operations staff, board members, development directors as well as other roles. Nancy Bacon, our key note speaker, leaned us into exploring our organizations' purpose and story. Why we do what we do and how we do it....

Our 2025 conference is again in Salem, November 6 and 7. If you'd like details, please contact us!

We are very thankful to our sponsors for making this important gathering possible.

*"It's refreshing to be around each other and learn what's working, what's not working and what other people are doing."*  
- Conference attendee



## VOLUNTEER NURSE LICENSE (NURSE-EMERITUS)

OFCCC was pleased to serve on one of the RACs (Rule Advisory Committees) of the Oregon State Nursing Board to review and revise nurse licensing requirements including the Nurse-emeritus requirements.

In February 2025, OSNB approved Permanent Rule Changes for Division 31 (Licensure Standards for RNs and LPNs). These changes to the Division 31 rules of the Nurse Practice Act have reduced barriers and clarified requirements to obtain and maintain a nurse emeritus license (RN-E or LPN-E). Applicants are now required to have retired licensure status, attest to having 2 hrs. of cultural competency continuing education, one hour of pain management CE and additional CEs for a total of 12 hours of nursing CE.

## OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR LIFEBLOOD

*"I'm so impressed with how the community has come together to keep these patients out of the hospital, to provide them with the medical care that they need."*  
-Volunteer physician

## MORE INFORMATION?

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### Oregon Free and Charitable Clinics\*

- Borland Free Clinic\* – Stafford/Tualatin. [www.borlandclinic.org](http://www.borlandclinic.org)
- Caring Hands Worldwide\* – OR via volunteer days in mobile clinics. [www.caringhandsworldwide.org](http://www.caringhandsworldwide.org)
- Center for Community Counseling\* Eugene, Springfield. <https://cceeugene.org>
- Clackamas Volunteers in Medicine\* – Clackamas County. [www.clackamasvim.org](http://www.clackamasvim.org)
- Community Outreach, Inc. – Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties. [www.communityoutreachinc.org](http://www.communityoutreachinc.org)
- Dove Medical – Eugene, Springfield -<https://dovemedical.org>
- La Clinica De Guadalupe\* – Salem. <https://guadalupeclinicsalem.org>
- North by Northeast Community Health Center – Portland. [www.nxneclinic.org](http://www.nxneclinic.org)
- Salem Free Clinics\* – Marion and Polk Counties. [www.salemfreeclinics.org](http://www.salemfreeclinics.org)
- Volunteers in Medicine – Cascades\* – Bend, Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook Counties. [www.vim-cascades.org](http://www.vim-cascades.org)
- Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of Lane County\* – Springfield and Lane County. [www.vim-clinic.org](http://www.vim-clinic.org)

- Data included in this report reflect these clinics