

# Implementation Update: Community Violence Prevention & Expansion of Hospital Based Violence Intervention Programs



HB 4045 seeks to:

- Expand capacity and establish a consistent source of funding to hospital-based programs that prevent trauma and retaliatory violence following incidents of community violence
- Establish a professional pathway for hospital-based violence intervention peers
- Address risk factors and support protective factors related to community violence

Oregon General Fund Allocations:

**\$2.5 million**

### Grants to address risk factors and support protective factors related to community violence

*Administered by Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center (POIC). Update: RFP released August 2022. OHA participated in the review panel. Funding announcements to 29 awardees completed October 2022.*

**\$1.5 million**

### Grants to increase capacity of existing hospital-based violence intervention programs in Multnomah County (Healing Hurt People)

*Administered by POIC. Update: Awards and contracts were established April 2024 for 13 awardees. OHA participated in the review panel.*

**\$1 million**

### Grants to support expansion of hospital-based violence intervention programs outside Multnomah County

*Administered by the Oregon Health Authority, Injury & Violence Prevention Program in coordination with Medical Transformation Programs, the Oregon EMS & Trauma Program and the Office of Equity & Inclusion. Update: OHA released RFGA in winter 2023. No applications received. OHA reconvened and strategized community outreach efforts to provide in-depth understanding of HVIP funding opportunity to prospective partners. Released RFGA 2.0 in July 2024; application reviews and grantee awards pending.*



## Anticipated OHA Implementation Timeline & Progress Update

**Winter 2023/Early  
2024**

**Progress:**

- A Rules Advisory Committee (RAC) was held on 12/1/23 to review draft policy for Medicaid reimbursement for HVIP services.
- OHA & POIC held a partnership retreat in September and meet weekly to provide updates and ensure coordination.
- OHA Public Health hired a Community Resilience Coordinator to work on HB4045 and serve as lead for grant implementation and expansion.
- OHA & POIC continue to attend monthly meetings with the Health Alliance for Violence Intervention (HAVI) to collaborate with other states to discuss HVIP expansion and Medicaid reimbursement across the United States.

**Progress Spring/  
Summer 2024 Plans**

**Progress:**

- Rules allowing for Medicaid reimbursement for HVIP services were approved on 5/1/24.
- OHA is working with POIC to establish them as a Medicaid provider.
- OHA released Hospital Based Violence Intervention Program request for grant application in July 2024.
- OHA to review applications and to select grant awardees September 2024.

**Summer 2024 &  
Beyond**

**Progress:**

- Award grantees for Hospital Based Violence Intervention Program (HVIP) Expansion-Learning Community.
- Convene Learning Community with grantees for planning, training and capacity building.
- Provide training and technical assistance on documentation, coding, Medicaid billing specification and guidance to grantees.

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Role	Contact	Role	Organization
Three members representing a community-based organization that currently supports a hospital-based violence prevention program in Oregon	Roy Moore	Healing Hurt People Coordinator	Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center (POIC)
	Julia Mitchell	Chief Operations Officer	POIC
	Royal Harris	Program Coordinator, Male & Father Involvement Program	POIC / Multnomah County Healthy Birth Initiative
One member representing a national organization that provides technical assistance for emerging hospital-based violence prevention programs	Kyle Fischer	Policy Director	Health Alliance for Violence Intervention
One member representing a hospital that currently operates a hospital-based violence prevention program in Oregon	Corena Bray	Assistant Nurse Manager	Legacy Emanuel Hospital
One member representing a hospitals in Oregon that do not currently operate a hospital-based violence prevention program	Barb Merrifield	Director of Clinical Practice Support & Magnet	Salem Health (Salem Hospital)
One member of an Oregon-based academic institution with knowledge of hospital-based violence prevention programs	Kathleen Carlson	Associate Professor, School of Public Health	OHSU Firearm Injury Research Center
Four members representing coordinated care organizations in geographically diverse areas of Oregon, three of which must be outside of Multnomah County	Bill Bouska	Director of Government Relations	Samaritan Health Services
	Leslie Neugebauer	Senior Director of Medicaid Governance	PacificSource
	Jacob Parks	Contracts Manager	HealthShare
	Sean Connolly	Population Health Specialist	CareOregon (embedded with Jackson Care Connect)
Two members representing health care clinicians with experience in Medicaid billing and experience providing trauma care as a result of community violence.	Heather Wong	Trauma Director	OHSU Hospital
	TBD		TBD

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