

## News & Links from OPCA May 16, 2010

### Oregon Health Care Reform:

[http://www.thelundreport.org/resource/oregon could lead health insurance exchange](http://www.thelundreport.org/resource/oregon%20could%20lead%20health%20insurance%20exchange)  
*The Lund Report*: A new technical assistance work group is charged with creating a **business plan for an Oregon health insurance exchange** by mid-August.

### Federal Health Care Reform:

<http://www.yesmagazine.org/people-power/new-challenges-for-community-clinics/>  
*Yes!*: **What will happen to community health centers** now that reform has passed?

<http://www.kff.org/healthreform/upload/8068.pdf>  
Kaiser Family Foundation issue brief: "Perspectives on **Strengthening Medicaid's Reach** under Health Care Reform."

<http://washington.bizjournals.com/washington/stories/2010/05/10/daily71.html>  
*Washington (D.C.) Business Journal*: The nation's largest association for small businesses has joined the lawsuit filed by 20 states **challenging the constitutionality of health care reform**.

### Primary Care Redesign and the Primary Care Medical Home:

<http://www.healthaffairs.org/>  
The **latest issue of *Health Affairs*** focuses on **reinventing primary care**. Article topics include: Why Primary Care Must be Reformed; The Medical Home: Quality Gains, Cost Savings; Putting Accountable Care into Practice; Paying for Performance in Primary Care. Abstracts accessible; full text articles require subscription.

[http://www.healthaffairs.org/issue\\_briefings/2010\\_05\\_04\\_reinventing\\_primary\\_care/2010\\_05\\_04\\_reinventing\\_primary\\_care.php](http://www.healthaffairs.org/issue_briefings/2010_05_04_reinventing_primary_care/2010_05_04_reinventing_primary_care.php)  
*Health Affairs*: Video segments from a briefing on reinventing primary care, with HHS Secretary Kathleen Sibelius and other health care experts. The secretary notes that "**CHCs have been enormously successful** and are heavily involved in models of accountable care organizations."

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/05/13/health/13chen.html>  
*New York Times*: Interview with a "community practitioner" who believes **primary care doctors need to redesign their practices** not so much around the payment system but around adding value to patients.

<http://www.aafp.org/online/en/home/publications/news/news-now/news-in-brief/20100512wkly-nws-brfs.html>  
*AAFP News Now*: The patient-centered medical home section of the AAFP website offers **new tools to create a medical home**.

<http://getbetterhealth.com/does-group-health%e2%80%99s-medical-home-leave-the-poor-behind/2010.05.10>

*Better Health:* Does the Group Health **medical home model** leave the poor behind?

### **Health Information Technology:**

<http://nashp.org/sites/default/files/HRSA-HIT.pdf>

National Academy of State Health Policy issue brief: “Collaborating with Health Centers to **Leverage Health IT.**” Includes section on **OCHIN.**