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La Clinica board of directors endorses Measure 101

La Clinica's board of directors has endorsed Measure 101 on the Jan. 23, 2018 Oregon ballot.

Passage of the initiative would ensure continued Oregon Health Plan coverage for an estimated 350,000 low-income residents of the state.

Failure would result in state healthcare funding shortfalls of \$210 million to \$320 million. It would also imperil billions of dollars in matching federal funding our state now receives.

Here is the board's statement on the measure:

La Clinica's board of directors endorses Oregon Ballot Measure 101, an initiative on the Jan. 23, 2018 ballot that ensures continued Oregon Health Plan coverage for an estimated 350,000 low-income residents of the state.

We believe all people deserve quality health care—and this dream of many is close to reality today in Oregon, where most residents have access to care thanks to the expansion of Medicaid through the Affordable Care Act.

Failure of this ballot measure reverses Oregon's gains under the ACA, resulting in state healthcare funding cuts of \$210 million to \$320 million and the loss as much as \$5 billion in federal healthcare funding our state now receives.

Oregon cannot afford to return to the days when its most vulnerable residents relied on expensive emergency room visits for care or simply went without. Please join us and dozens of other organizations in supporting this critical ballot measure.

La Clinica joins dozens of other wide-ranging organizations in supporting the measure.

La Clinica

La Clinica offers medical and dental care at 17 sites: six primary health centers, East Medford Dental Clinic, nine school-based sites, and in a mobile center. Although its mission focuses on providing access to low-income people, La Clinica is open to everyone.

La Clinica was founded in 1988 to serve the primary and preventive needs of the migrant and seasonal farm workers in Jackson County. In 2001, in response to an increasing need for affordable primary health, La Clinica expanded its scope to serve every member of the community. All services are offered regardless of a patient's ability to pay, and on a sliding-scale basis for the uninsured and low income.