

# State Certification for SBHCs: Oregon's 2009 Certification Standards

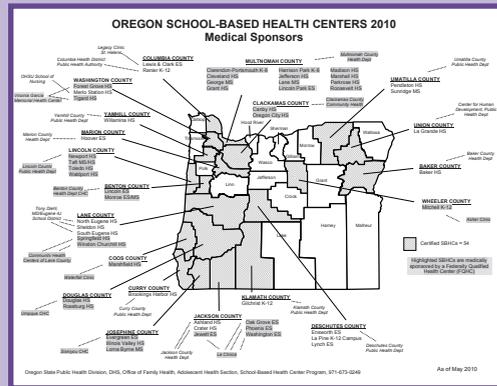
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## Why certification standards?

The goals of certification are to:

- Increase emphasis on best practices,
- Reduce site-to-site variability,
- Increase the ability to study clinical outcomes, and
- Increase the potential for insurance reimbursement.



The certification standards address the following:

- Administrative procedures for certification,
- Facilities,
- Operations and staffing,
- Laboratory services,
- Clinical services,
- Data collection and reporting, and
- Quality assurance activities.



## Overview

### Background

Oregon's SBHC certification standards were developed in partnership with the Oregon School-Based Health Care Network, Conference of Local Health Officials, and the SBHC State Program Office. Oregon's certification process was implemented on July 1, 2000. The certification standards outline a voluntary certification process rather than licensing, however; all SBHCs receiving state funds are required to be certified. In 2009 the certification standards, process, and all related tools for certification were revised.

### Certification Process



A recertification site visit occurs each biennium in a representative sample of SBHCs within a system. A system is comprised of any number of SBHCs sponsored by a single medical sponsor.

["http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/ah/sbhc/certification.shtml"](http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/ah/sbhc/certification.shtml)

## Oregon school-based health center (SBHC) fast facts

### Fifty-four centers in 20 counties

- Thirty-one high schools
- Four middle schools
- Eleven elementary schools
- Eight combined grade campuses

### Fourteen planning grants in 11 counties

2008-2009 highlights:

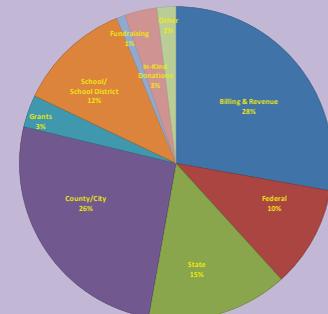
- There were 47,511<sup>1</sup> clients with access to SBHCs at their school.
- Oregon SBHCs served 24,995 clients in 72,080 visits.<sup>2</sup>
- Forty-seven percent of SBHC's clients were uninsured.<sup>2</sup>
- Sixty-nine percent of students reported they were unlikely to receive care outside of the SBHC.<sup>3</sup>
- Sixty-five percent of students reported their health was better because of the SBHC.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Oregon Department of Education, 2008.

<sup>2</sup> Includes data from 11 planning sites that were open part of the 2008-2009 service year.

<sup>3</sup> 2009 SBHC Patient Satisfaction Survey data.

## 2008 - 2009 SBHC Sources of Revenue\*



\*Data from 42 of 43 certified SBHCs