Oregon: A Leader in Long-Term Care Reform

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Oregon Long-term Care Reform

Historical leadership and vision for providing community-based services
Demographics and financial statistics
Key elements of long-term care reform
Lessons for other states
Oregon's future outlook

Why Is This Important?

Most states provide primarily institutional care and seek a better balance with home and community-based services (HCSB)

Change is driven by:

- Demographics and high cost of long-term care
- Consumer demand for choice
- Challenging state budgets
- Supreme court Olmstead decision

Demographics: US Population

US	2000	2030	% growth
Total	281,421,906	363,584,435	22.6%
65+	34,991,753	71,453,471	51.0%
85+	4,239,587	9,603,034	55.9%

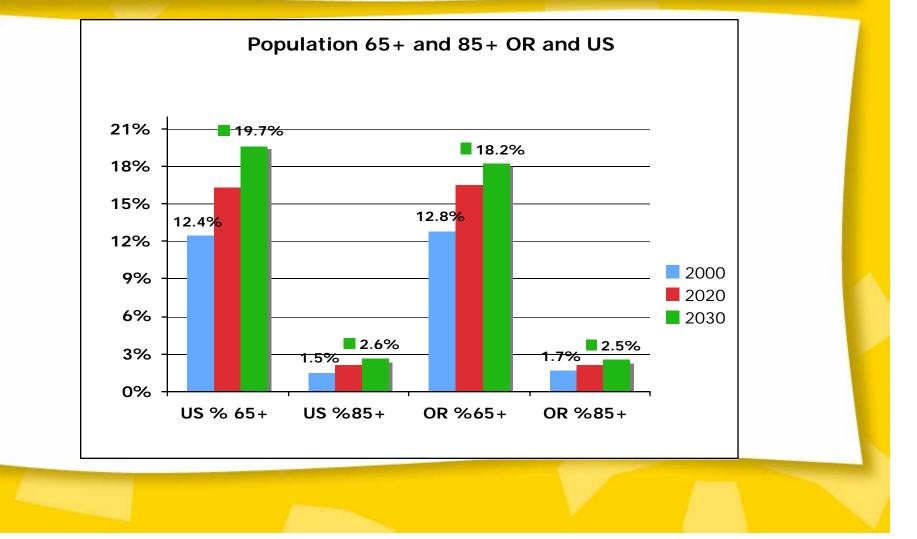
Source: http://www.census.gov/population/projections/nation/detail/d202

Demographics: Oregon Population

Oregon	2000	2030	% growth	
Total	3,421,399	4,833,918	29.2%	
65+	438,177	881,957	50.3%	
85+	57,431	121,741	52.8%	

Source: http://www.census.gov/population/projections/nation/detail/d202

65+ and 85+ as Percent of Total Population: 2000-2030



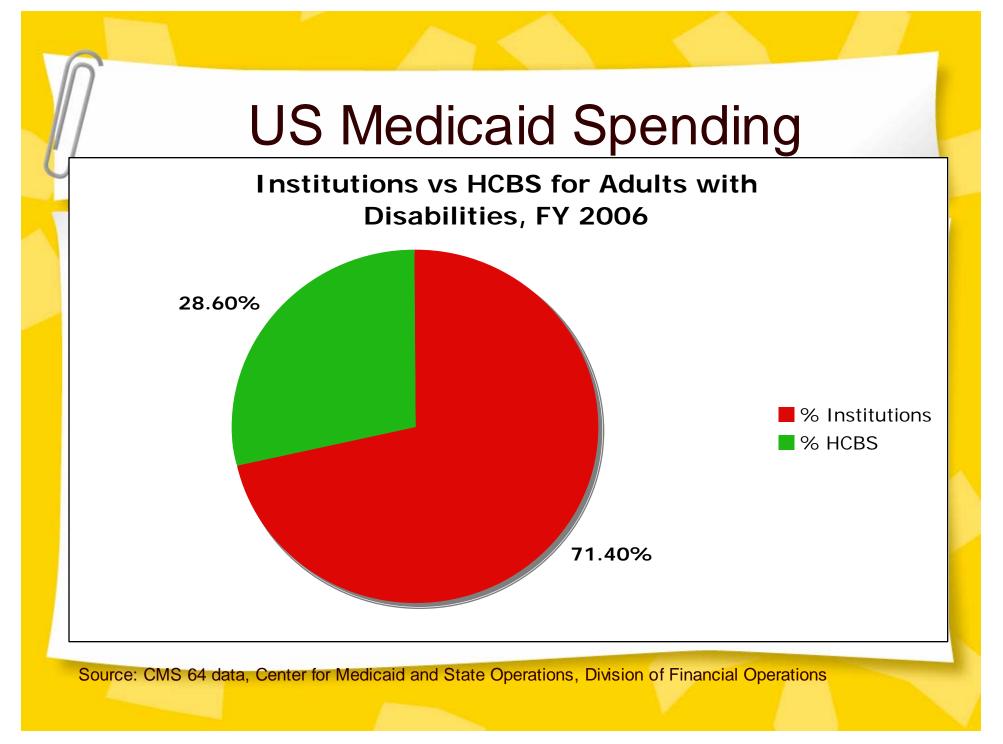
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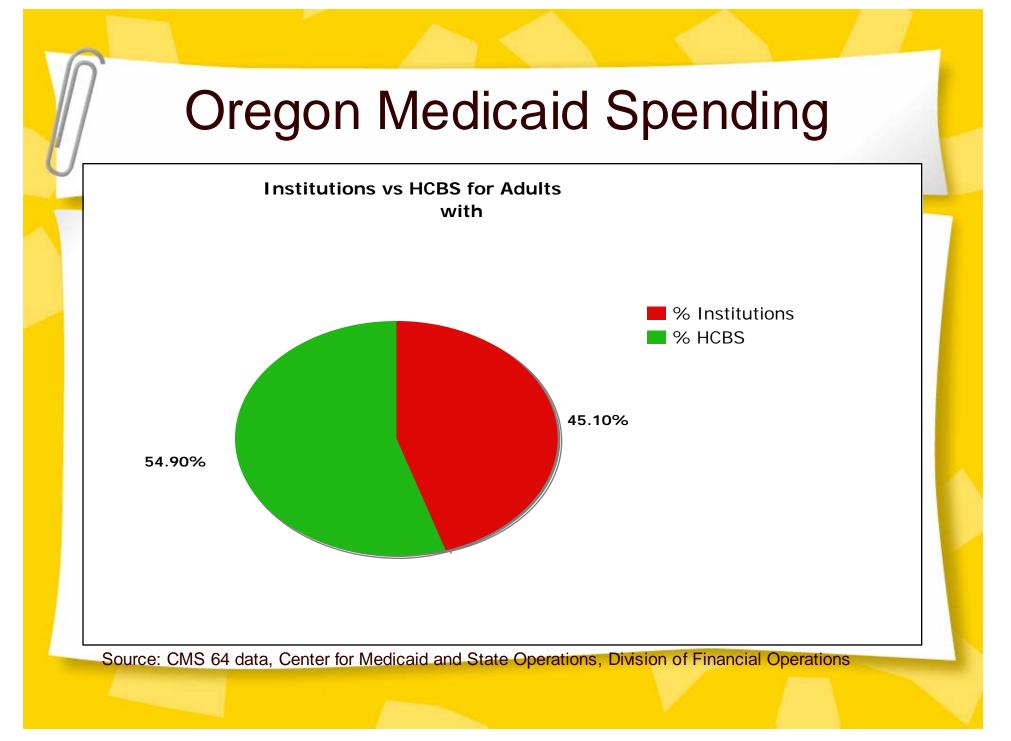
Medicaid Costs for NH and HCBS

Medicaid funded nursing home services cost \$18,123 per person served in Oregon (US average: \$23,882) (2003)

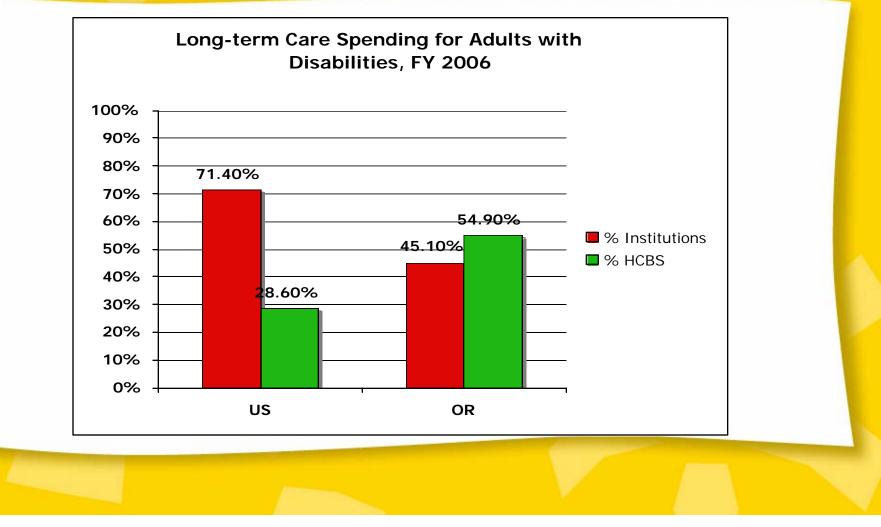
Medicaid funded HCBS cost \$11,982 per person served in Oregon (US average: \$10,531) (2002)

Source: AARP State Profiles Long-term Care, 2006





US and Oregon Comparison



History

Mid-1970's: Vision

- independence, dignity, quality of life and choice
- strong leadership provided by Richard Ladd
- AAAs become advocates and program designers
- 1977: Oregon Project Independence (OPI)
 - community support services for those 60+ close to needing institutional support
- 1981:Senior and Disabled Services Division
 - single agency for federal and state-funded services

Key Elements Program Management

Administration

- State perspective: program funding, implementation and regulation housed in one state agency
- Consumer perspective: program access and service delivery available locally through (typically) AAAs

Key Elements Access

- Single Entry Point (SEP): Information, assessment and eligibility determination handled in one place based on income, functional need, and medical history
- Entitled to nursing home or home and community services
- Consumer choice: a variety of housing and support options available based on eligibility

Key Elements Other

Use of Technology (CA/PS)

 Determine service eligibility level (survival level) and help control costs

Prevention focus (OPI)
 Implemented Oregon Project
 Independence in 1975 for people almost
 Medicaid eligible

Key Legislative Actions

State Organization of Services (1981)

- Allowed money to flow where services were in demand without bureaucratic process
- When budgets needed cutting, done by survival level rather than by program

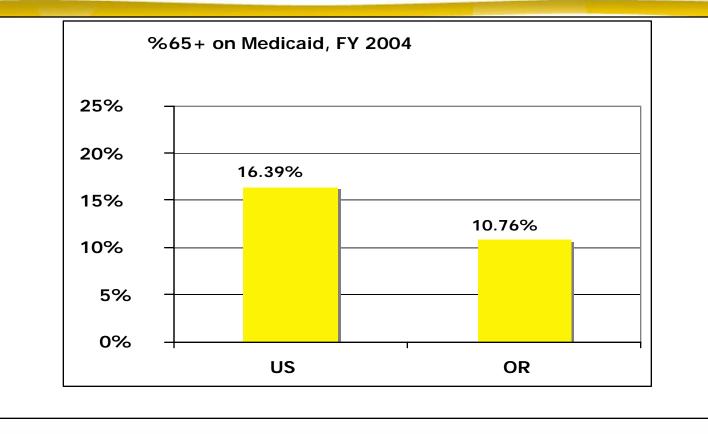
Nurse Delegation Act (1985)

 Key to serving large numbers of people in the community by lay people with nurse oversight

Key Elements Programs Offered

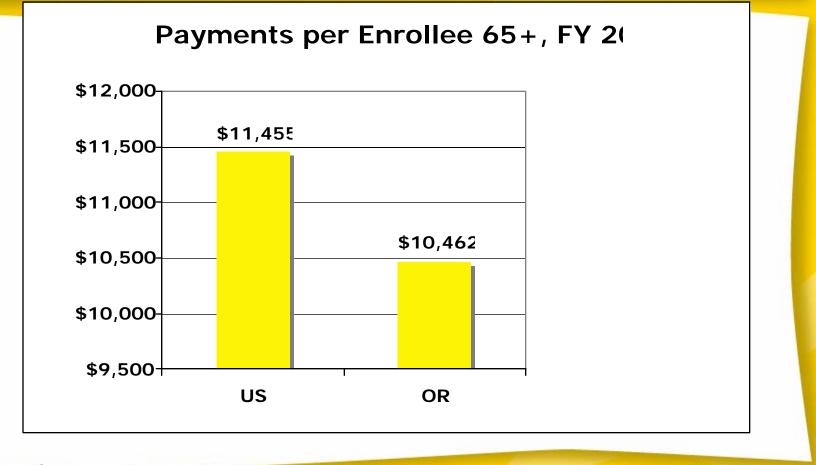
- Medicaid HCBS Waiver Program
 - Residential support
- Oregon Project Independence
 - State funded for 60+ at home to avoid institution
 - Fees charged on sliding scale
- Oregon Spousal Pay Program
 - State-funded for high need Medicaid eligible
- Independent Choices
 - Medicaid-eligible consumer-directed demonstration program
- Client-Empowered Program (CEP)
 - Medicaid funded state-wide consumer-directed

Financial Picture Percent of Elders 65+ on Medicaid



Source: Kaiser Family Foundation www.statehealthfacts.org

Financial Picture Medicaid Payments per Elder Enrollee



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Lessons on Long-term Care Reform for Other States

- One Primary Focus
 - increase HCBS and offer consumer choice
- One Agency
 - allows for cohesive policy decisions
- Involve stakeholders
 - Include consumers in planning
 - Create dispute resolution process
 - Involve providers in service-delivery development

Lessons for Other States (2)

Provide outreach and education

- For consumers
- For doctors, hospitals, nursing home owners

Develop continuum of care within community

- Foster inclusion of nursing homes and community providers for individual care-planning
- Allow money to follow the person to each setting

Challenges Faced

- Average annual spending grew 15.9%in Oregon from 1990-2001 compared with 10.9% in the US
- Budget cuts to those in lowest need categories stabilized spending but were not popular
- Some of these services have been restored and future plans are being developed
- Quality assurance in adult foster homes is lacking

Oregon's Future Outlook

LTC workgroup convened in 2005 to address future LTC challenges

Report in November 2006 addressed 7 questions important to Oregon residents for future LTC services

Oregon's Future Outlook (2)

Long Term Care Plan should include:

- Community-level research and data
- Focus on healthy aging and preventing chronic conditions
- Encourage individual retirement planning
- Promote and support "Livable communities"
- Promote programs that avoid more costly services (OPI)
- More discussion about "pyramid model" of services
- More discussion on integrating acute and long-term care

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The End

Questions??

Thank you!