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Mylia Christensen is the Executive Director of the Oregon Health Care Quality Corporation, an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality and affordability of health care in Oregon by leading community collaborations and producing unbiased information. Mylia has worked in almost all facets of health care, from clinical settings to hospital and health care system management, strategic planning and administration. Prior to her position at Q Corp, Mylia was the National Project Director for the Medicaid Evidence-based Decisions Project at the OHSU Center for Evidence-based Policy, Administrator of the State of Oregon’s Public Employees’ Benefit Board and Vice President of Operations and Regional Director for the Oregon Health Plan enrollment broker project with Benova, Inc. Her experience also includes Director of Program Development and Physician Services for Legacy Portland Hospital System and the Administrator of Women’s Health Services at Good Samaritan Hospital. She began her early career as a licensed practical nurse and registered nurse in Emergency and Critical Care Services.

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Chris DeMars, MPH, is the Director of Systems Innovation at the Oregon Health Authority Transformation Center, where she manages a team that supports innovation within Oregon’s coordinated care organizations while also working to spread the coordinated care model to other payers. Before joining the Transformation Center, Ms. DeMars spent eight years as a Senior Program Officer at the Northwest Health Foundation, where she managed the Foundation’s health care reform work, including support for Oregon’s delivery system reform and health reform advocacy organizations. Prior to working for the Foundation, Ms. DeMars was a Senior Health Policy Analyst for the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), where she authored numerous reports for Congress on Medicaid, Medicare and private health insurance payment policy. Ms. DeMars has held positions at various health-policy consulting firms in the areas of public health, managed care and reimbursement systems, and she began her career as a Policy Analyst at Indiana’s Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning. She holds a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Michigan School of Public Health and a Bachelor’s degree in English Literature from the University of Michigan.

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Rebecca serves as the Co-Chair of Yamhill CCO’s Community Advisory Council (CAC). She holds her Master’s Degree in Human Services with an emphasis on Non Profit Organizational Management. Rebecca has over 25 years of experience in public policy and community organizing. She currently is the Co-Director for Project ABLE, Inc. a Peer-run non-profit organization that provides an array of peer-to-peer services, supports and training; including one of the first state-approved Peer Support Specialists training, designed for individuals coping with mental health and/or chronic disease challenges.

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Craig has been Executive Director for the Oregon Primary Care Association for over 11 years. During that time, Craig has led national discussions on payment reform for FQHCs as well as the collection of data to prove the value of CHCs responding to the complex behavioral, social and economic determinants of health. He has elevated this critical conversation among legislators, the Oregon Health Policy Board, collaborative partners and Oregon Health Authority staff.

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For more than 16 years, Sean Jessup, Director of Medicaid Programs, has been refining his knowledge of healthcare insurance, products and operations. He has held positions at Moda Health in claims, customer service, provider contracting and benefits programming. Today, he uses those skills to oversee the operational and financial performance of a 45,000 member Coordinated Care Organization (CCO).

In his role Sean works closely with the Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization (EOCCO) board members along with hospital and provider partners to implement innovative programs to reduce unnecessary costs and improve care for members living and working in Eastern Oregon. Sean also monitors Medicaid regulatory requirements and changes. He serves as the key person within Moda Health to educate and communicate Medicaid requirements and changes to a cross section of Moda Health senior, technical and operational leadership. Perhaps most importantly, Sean has developed and maintained relationships with key members of the provider community in Eastern Oregon and with staff members within the state Medicaid program. These relationships help Sean monitor and deliver insightful recommendations that ultimately help the members of the Oregon Health Plan.

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