Latinx Oregonian Access to Oregon RH Program: A Needs Assessment

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Background
January 2017: Current administration removed national gag rule that banned federal funding for clinics that discuss abortion. Oregon received ~20% reduction in federal funding. Oregon Initiative (Sb382) to secure federal funding (~10% of Oregon reproductive health funding)
August 15, 2017: Governor Kate Brown and the Oregon legislature pass HB 2017 Reproductive Health Equity Act (RHEA) to bolster funding for the Oregon RH program. RHEA "ensures that Oregonians have access to comprehensive RH care regardless of their income, regardless of immigration status, gender identity, or sexual orientation. As Reproductive Health Equity Act for Oregonians. This project is a collaboration with MCHD and fulfills improvements and increase participation of vulnerable populations in the Oregon RH Program. Results will offer a more robust picture of what obstacles the Latinx community faces when accessing RH care and how healthcare professionals can continue to support legislation that addresses improvements in access to RH on a national scale. There are some barriers that will require policy changes on a national level to address access to RH care including public charge status, immigration concerns and health insurance access. As health care providers we can continue to support legislation that addresses improvements in access to RH on a national scale. Local administrators at MCHD can examine the results of this study and investigate ways to impact change at a clinic level. Consider the following suggestions:...