

News & Links from OPCA December 9, 2011

OPCA Members in the News:

<http://kdrv.com/page/232363>

KDRV (Medford): Later this month, **La Clinica's** mobile health center will begin traveling through Jackson County to provide medical, dental and behavioral health services.

<http://www.mailtribune.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20111208/NEWS07/112080336/-1/NEWSMAP>

Mail-Tribune (Medford): The Oregon Community Foundation awarded \$100,000 to **CHC-Medford** to reconstruct the Medford campus to expand and improve health care services.

<http://blog.oregonlive.com/my-forest-grove/2011/12/surge-in-community-support-for.html>

Oregonian: **Christine Rontal of the Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center Foundation** reports that over the past few months, the Foundation has raised more than \$1 million to support the construction of the new Cornelius Wellness Center.

<http://www.oregonlive.com/hillsboro/index.ssf/2011/12/hillsboro-hands-out-65000-in-g.html>

Oregonian: The city of Hillsboro awarded a \$5,000 grant to **Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center Foundation**.

Health Care in Oregon:

<http://www.thelundreport.org/resource/joint-healthcare-committee-to-accept-public-testimony-on-health-insurance-exchange-medicaid>

The Lund Report: The Oregon House and Senate **Health Care committees will hold a special joint hearing on December 20** to receive public testimony on Coordinated Care Organizations and other elements of health care reform.

Federal Health Care:

<http://blogs.nachc.com/washington/?p=1529>

and

<http://blogs.nachc.com/washington/?p=1540>

Health Centers on the Hill: What's ahead for **CHCs in the federal budget debate?**

http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/ezra-klein/post/berwick-on-health-care-we-have-a-wealth-of-good-ideas-but-they-still-need-to-be-nurtured/2011/11/13/gIQABz2oKN_blog.html

Washington Post blog by Sarah Kliff: Interview with **Don Berwick** shortly before his resignation as the head of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, **on health care innovation**. OPCA valued Dr. Berwick's contributions to CMS and the CMS Innovation Center.

Primary Care Workforce:

<http://www.ahrq.gov/research/pcworkforce.htm>

Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality “Facts & Stats:” **Overview of the U.S. primary care workforce**, including physicians, physician assistants and nurse practitioners.