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CareOregon to Present at IHI December Forum

[CareOregon](#), an ACHP member organization, will present the results of its successful "Primary Care Renewal" (PCR) medical home initiative at the IHI National Forum in Nashville, Tenn. on December 9 in an all day mini course before the conference. Other ACHP plans are strongly encouraged to attend.

Starting in early 2007, CareOregon and five of its partner primary care providers have been collaboratively implementing a robust medical home model inspired by work of the Southcentral Foundation in Anchorage, Alaska. After eight months, the success of the pilots led all five organizations to adopt the model for spread throughout their systems in their own internal collaboratives. Over the last year all the original pilot clinics have completed roll out of the model and new clinics have come on line, encompassing some 27 micro system teams.

"We hope other ACHP Medical Home Collaborative participants will join us at the mini course," said David Labby, MD, Medical Director of CareOregon and health plan lead on the project. "This will be a great opportunity for all of us to share the work we are doing and learn from each other so we are looking forward to this being very interactive."

CareOregon has participated in the IHI's "Triple Aim" learning initiative to develop new models for improving the health of populations, the experience of care and pre capita cost. Positive results from a health plan based multi disciplinary program for improving outcomes for high risk members, CareSupport, led CareOregon to move improving population health to a broader scale through the PCR medical home initiative. This has subsequently led to an even broader role for the plan in State health care reform efforts.

The IHI mini course is session M 22 on Tuesday, December 9, 2008. For further information contact David Labby at labbyd@careoregon.org.