2020 Children’s Agenda Endorsements for Oregon Short Session Bills
[Approved by BOD 1/6/20]

OPS Priority-Support Endorsement (#1 in Sept 2018 Member Survey)

1. Safely Store All Firearms
   Require the safe storage of guns when they are not under the owner’s immediate control, as well as mandatory reporting of lost or stolen guns.
   Submitted by: State of Safety Action

Other Children’s Agenda endorsements (variable engagement):

2. Strengthen Oregon’s Response to Child Abuse with Increased Funding
   Every child should receive child abuse prevention curriculum and have access to quality, comprehensive, child-focused services when impacted by child abuse. Better data will help our efforts.
   Submitted by: Oregon Network of Child Abuse Intervention Centers

3. Oregon Indian Child Welfare Act
   Legislation is needed to implement the Oregon Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) to promote the safety of native children, preserve tribal families and communities, and recognize tribal sovereignty. Submitted by: NAYA

4. Expand Transition Services for Foster Youth
   Increase funding for the DHS Child Welfare Independent Living Program (ILP) to better meet the needs of all foster youth aging out of foster care.
   Submitted by: Oregon Foster Youth Connection

5. Family Preservation Project
   Provide funding for this proven model for strengthening families and communities, and establish Family Preservation Project in statute to ensure incarcerated mothers and their children receive these support services to address trauma.
   Submitted by: YWCA of Oregon

6. Serving Oregon’s Unaccompanied Homeless Youth
   Increase support for programs who serve unaccompanied homeless youth and expand the types of services available to include Host Home Programs.
   Submitted by: Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
Other Issues (Not in Children’s Agenda)

- Vaping restrictions bills: flavors ban (Helt); remote nicotine-product sales (Marsh)
- Oregon Vaccine Advocacy – OPS is part of the public health, health system, & education coalition facilitated by Edelman PR.

February 5, 2020 OPS Lobby Day Legislative Meeting Topic Priorities

1. Safe Gun Storage
2. Eliminating the Nonmedical vaccine exemption – laying the groundwork for a 2021 bill. There is an anti-vax rally at the Capitol the next day.
4. Support for prioritizing Climate, Health & Equity actions

Other Possible Policy Topics for OPS Education/Engagement in 2020

- Clean Energy Jobs/Cap and Invest – legislative session bill. OPS will learn more about this at the February Lobby Day when sponsor Sen. Dembrow speaks.
- Climate resiliency theme of the April 18, 2020 OPS annual conference.
- 2020 Census – equity and inclusion outreach
- Universal Health Care plans – education on state legislative options and gather views of members through a survey?
- Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health
- Immigrant Health Care Access and Rights
- Other bills and advocacy opportunities as they arise

Chapter Advocates/Champions/Interest Teams [Members encouraged to join one]

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: Larry Krupa and OPS BH project advisors & trainers
CHILD WELFARE (Foster Care, Child Abuse): Tam Grigsby, Cheryl Hanna
EARLY CHILDHOOD: Sherri Alderman, Ellen Stevenson
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH: Shaili Rajput, Peter Reed, Alanna Braun, Jimmy Unger, Angela Zallen
FOOD SECURITY/SUGAR SWEETENED BEVERAGE TAX: Jimmy Unger, Jennifer Bass
GUN SAFETY: Lisa Reynolds, Brenna Lewis, Lindsay Underwood, Ben Hoffman
IMMIGRATION: Lauren Herbert, Jimmy Unger
IMMUNIZATION: It takes a village, and we are the Village People!
NATIONAL HEALTH PLAN: Diane Lucas, Larry Krupa
TOBACCO/VAPING: James Bishara, Peter Reed, Angela Zallen