Taking Charge of My Health Care
A toolkit by and for self advocates
Oregon Self Advocacy Coalition
Oregon Office on Disability and Health
University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities at OHSU

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Welcome!

Today’s presenters:

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Today’s agenda

• Learn the history of the Taking Charge of My Health Care Toolkit
• Learn about the importance of advocating for one’s health care
• View the toolkit and learn about the different tools that are available
• Share ideas for how you can utilize the toolkit in different settings
# Project History

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<td>April 2016</td>
<td>OSAC asks OODH and UCEDD to partner to create Toolkit</td>
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<td>January 2017</td>
<td>Australia gives permission to use their version of the Health Care Toolkit as a template</td>
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<td>Throughout 2017</td>
<td>Project staff meets multiple times with OSAC members to obtain and incorporate their input and feedback</td>
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<td>January 2018</td>
<td>Toolkit reviewed by expert panel made up of self-advocates, health care professionals, parents, social workers, and others</td>
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<td>March 2018</td>
<td>Planning for production of the Toolkit videos begins with local videographers KLIK and Melissa Mullineaux Films + Photographs</td>
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<td>June 2018</td>
<td>Video filming begins (Over 84 hours of filming)</td>
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<td>- 27 actors: 12 self-advocates, 5 OHSU nursing students, and 10 actors from OHSU staff and community members</td>
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<td>- Over 7 locations used during filming</td>
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<td>September 2018</td>
<td>Present a draft of the Toolkit at OSAC’s board meeting and revise the Toolkit to include their feedback</td>
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<td>October 2018</td>
<td>Create website to host the Toolkit</td>
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<td>Present Toolkit at Oregon Public Health Association (OPHA) annual conference</td>
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<td>November 2018</td>
<td>Begin conducting video screenings at community listening sessions across Oregon as a way to disseminate toolkit</td>
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# The Importance of Advocating for One’s Own Health Care

1) Encourages individual ownership for healthcare decisions and actions

> It develops “buy-in” from the patient so that he/she will develop a better sense of understanding for their role

2) The PCP will be more well informed of the unique physical and possible mental health issues impacting the patient

> Through understanding the influencing factors affecting the patient’s health, the PCP will have a holistic understanding for how to best meet the needs of the patient

> It is essential for developing trust between the PCP and the patient

>> The patient is more likely to speak-up when a component of their health care is not working right and the PCP is more likely to truly listen. And the patient is more likely to put into practice the doctor’s directions
# The Importance of Healthy Lifestyle Choices

It is well known that personal lifestyle choices affect human health outcomes. For people experiencing I/DD, the impact of one’s lifestyle is magnified vs. the population as a whole.

1) My diet emphasizes plant based whole foods, being careful to consume sufficient protein and essential nutrients, is essential to my well-being.

2) Building in opportunities for exercise as part of daily living, as well as scheduling dedicated times for physical recreation.

3) Maintaining social interactions, community involvement and “alone time” for meditation / self reflection.

>> While Healthy Lifestyle Choices may seem obvious on paper, it requires a supportive team effort from Family Members, Service Providers and Health Care Professionals to foster the decisions into action over the long term.
Taking Charge of My Health Care Toolkit

Module 1: Self-Advocacy

Module 2: Finding a New Doctor

Module 3: When I should Visit My Doctor

Module 4: Me and My Doctor

Module 5: Me and My Medications

Module 6: Signs of Sickness

Module 7: When My Doctor Recommends Surgery

Module 8: Mental Health

Module 9: Staying Healthy
Leader’s Guide

– Coming soon!
– For self-advocate trainers and co-trainers to conduct workshops on the Toolkit
– Instruction on how to do a workshop
– Ideas for interactive activities to facilitate discussion
Health Care Resource for Parents and Disability Service Providers

- Coming soon!
- 19 Factsheets on various health and I/DD topics and resources
Videos for Modules

9 videos to accompany each module of the Toolkit
Creating Videos for Modules

- Six, 12-14 hour days of filming
- 2 videographers
- Over 7 locations including clinical offices at OHSU
Taking Charge of My Health Care Actors

27 actors total

12 self-advocates
• Members of OSAC and community
• From all parts of Oregon

15 staff, nursing students, other community members
How can the Toolkit be used?

- Peer-facilitated training
- One on one
- IEP or ISP
- Parents
- Advocacy groups
- Disseminate via doctors offices
Next steps for the Toolkit

• Developing and disseminating Leaders Guide
• Developing and disseminating Fact Sheets
• Conducting pilot trainings in communities around Oregon with OSAC trainers
For more information:

Oregon Office on Disability and Health
www.ohsu.edu/oodh

University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
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Thank You