

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, February 21, 2008

**House Concurrent
Resolution No. 1058**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1058 - By: COX of the House.

A Concurrent Resolution relating to patient-centered medical homes; concurring with certain principles and encouraging the study and use of patient-centered medical homes.

1 WHEREAS, the patient-centered medical home provides a whole-person orientation
2 that includes care for all stages of life, acute care, chronic care, preventive services, and
3 end-of-life care; and

4 WHEREAS, patients in a patient-centered medical home actively participate in
5 decision-making and feedback is sought to ensure the expectations of a patient are being
6 met; and

7 WHEREAS, care in the patient-centered medical home is integrated across all
8 elements of the health care system and the community of the patient to assure that
9 patients receive the indicated care when and where they need in a culturally and
10 linguistically appropriate manner; and

11 WHEREAS, when minorities have a medical home, racial and ethnic differences in
12 terms of medical access disappear as noted in the publication "Closing the Divide: How

1 Medical Homes Promote Equity in Health Care”, published by the Commonwealth Fund
2 (June 2007); and

3 WHEREAS, four national physician organizations, the American Academy of
4 Pediatrics, American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Physicians,
5 and American Osteopathic Association, representing more than 333,000 physicians
6 across the country have developed joint principles that describe the characteristics of the
7 patient-centered medical home; and

8 WHEREAS, the National Committee for Quality Assurance is developing a patient-
9 centered medical home designation program for physician practices meeting specific
10 criteria; and

11 WHEREAS, a patient-centered medical home for every American has a potential
12 national savings of \$67 billion per year with improvement in the quality of health care
13 provided; and

14 WHEREAS, the federal Tax Relief and Health Care Act calls for a three-year
15 medical home demonstration project to be conducted in eight states with an estimated
16 start in 2009; and

17 WHEREAS, the Council of State Governments supports the Joint Principles of the
18 Patient-centered Medical Home as a guideline for states to improve the health of citizens;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, the Council of State Governments encourages states to study programs
21 to demonstrate the quality, safety, value, and effectiveness of the patient-centered
22 medical home.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
2 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA
3 LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

4 THAT the Legislature concurs with patient-centered medical home principles and
5 will work towards and encourage all health systems in Oklahoma to study and
6 implement these principles.

7 DIRECT TO CALENDAR: 02-21-08.