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## **Yamhill Community Care surveys community health needs** *Resident feedback requested to improve local programs and services*

**McMINNVILLE, ORE. 14 FEBRUARY, 2019**—To better understand the health care needs of the community, [Yamhill Community Care Organization \(YCCO\)](#) is asking people who live, work, and play in Yamhill County to complete a short survey. The survey allows community members to have a direct impact on programs and services offered and is part of a larger Community Health Assessment being conducted by YCCO in 2019 to help improve the quality of life of our residents.

The survey includes questions about health coverage; community needs; health care use; environment and social factors; children and families. Results of the survey will be factored in to the Community Health Assessment which will guide and inform an improvement plan to fund and coordinate programs for the overall wellness of the community. Public forums are also taking place throughout Yamhill County to help inform the Community Health Assessment.

“We hope to identify how geography, gender and income affect health in our community through this Community Health Assessment, as well as uncover any racial, ethnic and linguistic disparities,” says Seamus McCarthy, Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer of YCCO. “With this information we can make more informed decisions regarding programs and services that are most needed in the community.”

All Yamhill County residents are invited to complete the online survey and those who do will be entered in a drawing for a \$75 gift card. All responses will be strictly anonymous and no identifiable information will be collected. The survey can be found here: [bit.ly/healthyyamhill](http://bit.ly/healthyyamhill). For more information or to receive printed copies of the survey to distribute, please contact Emily Johnson, YCCO Community Health Improvement and Advisory Specialist at [ejohnson@yamhillcco.org](mailto:ejohnson@yamhillcco.org) or call 503.376.7428 x1428. To attend a forum, sign up here: [bit.ly/yamhillforum](http://bit.ly/yamhillforum).

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### **About Yamhill Community Care Organization**

Yamhill Community Care Organization (YCCO) is a Coordinated Care Organization that serves Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members in Yamhill County and parts of Clackamas, Washington, Polk, Marion and Tillamook counties. YCCO's more than 25 employees provide coordinated care services for physical, dental and behavioral health out of their office in McMinnville. The team is dedicated to improving their members' quality of life by coordinating family support services and effective, integrated, patient-centered care. Learn more at [www.yamhillcco.org](http://www.yamhillcco.org), follow YCCO on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#).