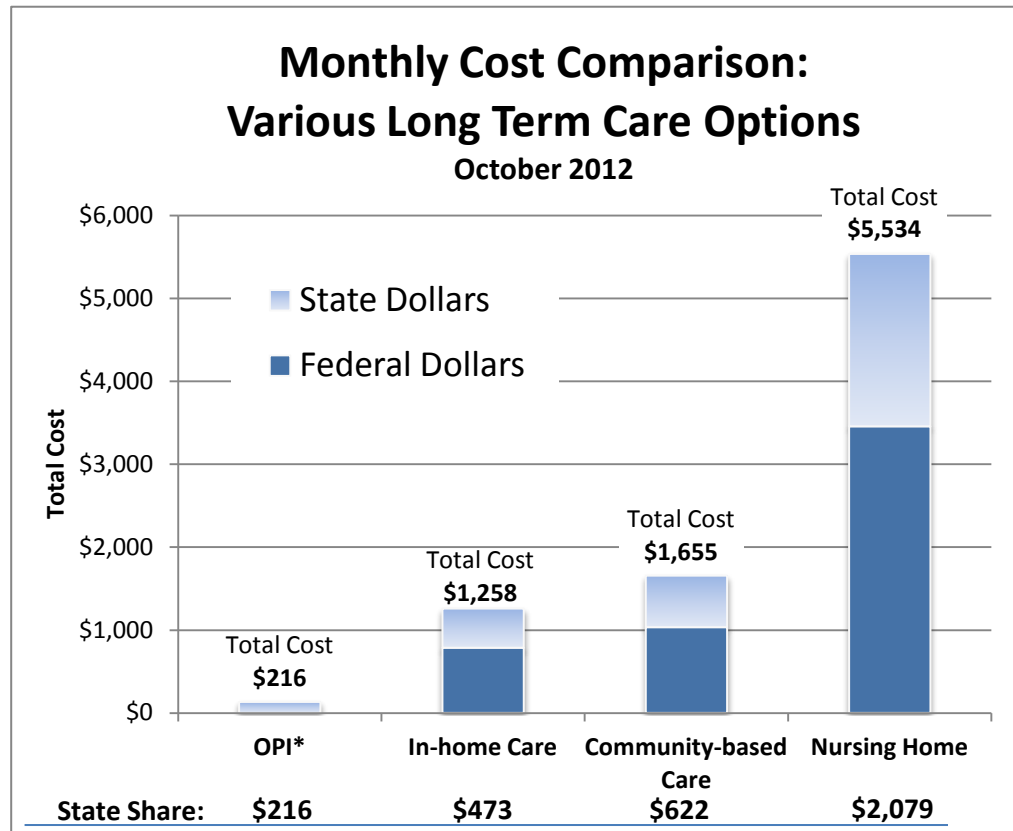




Oregon Project Independence: *Serving Oregon's Neediest Seniors*

Oregon Project Independence has successfully kept at-risk seniors in their own homes and away from expensive Medicaid services. **The financial pay-off is immediate.** It costs Oregon \$216 per month in **state funds** to serve a client through OPI, \$473 per month in **state funds** to serve a Medicaid in-home service client; \$622 in **state funds** per month to serve a



Medicaid client in a community-based care facility; and \$2,079 per month in **state funds** to serve a Medicaid client in a nursing facility.

- ✓ **Seniors with more than \$1,915 in monthly income pay 100% of the cost of their OPI service.** In FY 2012, OPI collected \$155,293 in program co-pay fees. Only seniors with incomes of less than \$958 per month are exempt from co-pays. People between those two amounts pay progressively higher co-pays as their income increases.
- ✓ Approximately 96% of all OPI clients are at monthly income levels that would qualify them for Medicaid services (currently \$2,130).
- ✓ Medicaid long-term care clients also receive the Oregon Health Plan benefits, at an additional cost to the state. OPI clients do not receive these benefits.

The cost to the state of OPI services is 10% the cost of residence in a nursing facility.

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* Statewide OPI per-person costs from FY11.

Other Data Sources: Other OPI data courtesy of OR DHS Fast Facts, 2013. Costs for In-home, CBC, and NF services, courtesy of Michael McCormick Ways & Means Committee presentation, March 25, 2013. Federal poverty for 2013.