

## **Agenda Item Number 9.b.**

### **Health System Transformation Team**

**Presenter:** Kay Metzger

**Action Recommended:** None. Information only.

**Background:**

According to State projections, the State of Oregon is facing an unprecedented budget shortfall of \$3.5 billion for the 2011-13 biennium. In an effort to address this budget crisis, Governor Kitzhaber has called for major restructuring of those services funded with State General Fund dollars. In the arena of health care, he has created the Health System Transformation Team to meet weekly for ten weeks to propose an innovative, more integrated model of service to achieve what is known as the “Triple Aim” – better care, better health, at a lower cost. The Health System Transformation Team is a broad-based committee made up of State Legislators, physicians, hospitals, dentists, managed care organizations, mental health services, representatives of licensed care facilities, home care workers, consumers, and those representing the needs of seniors and people with disabilities.

As current Chair of the Oregon Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Disabilities, Kay Metzger was invited to participate on the Team. Under this item Ms. Metzger will give some background and report on the work of the Health System Transformation Team’s work to date.