

The 2014 Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast



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Bernie Foster's table



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aster.

On the other side of that great divide are people without health care coverage. Their lives are much less secure. They often forgo needed treatment and when they get seriously ill, it can mean financial ruin or worse....

This inequity is heartbreakingly apparent in our health care system where the chance for a long and healthy life is affected by where we are born, the color of our skin, and the communities we live in.

The death rate due to diabetes for African Americans in Oregon is more than twice that of white Oregonians.

African Americans and Native Americans in Oregon have higher rates of hospitalization than others in our state. ...

But today, in 2014, for the first time in my career I can see that we are starting to close those divides....

Oregon's health insurance marketplace that has had a

I want to ask this of you – stay with us

—Dr. Bruce Goldberg, Cover Oregon

very difficult launch. This was a multi-year expensive technology project that hasn't yet delivered. The plan was that on Oct. 1, 2013, we would be able to use an online tool to seamlessly fill out an application, learn what plans or tax credits we are eligible for, and enroll on the spot.

As you know, that isn't what happened. And it's been a disappointment for consumers, for the state, and for me.

Because here's the thing: We have eleven health care plans that have joined Cover Oregon. We want people to

be able to get to them...

We're making improvements as we work to get up our full website....

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Over the next few weeks Oracle, our technology contractor, is entering intense testing on key areas of the system. When this is done we will have a better sense of when a fully functioning website will be available during the open enrollment period that ends in March....

So a few years ago, under the leadership of Governor Kitzhaber and with the help of hundreds – actually thousands – of Oregonians in work groups and public meetings, we created a new way of delivering health care.

We call it coordinated care.

That means an emphasis on primary care, a focus on

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