



Fact Sheet

Orange County Network of Care: A Road Map to Health Care

Overview: Orange County Network of Care: A Road Map to Health Care (www.ochealthcare.org) is an online information source specifically designed for Orange County individuals, families and agencies concerned with health care. This online community provides critical information, communication and advocacy tools with a single point of entry. This project was initiated by The HealthCare Foundation for Orange County in August 2004 to increase access to needed healthcare for low-income families in the County. The Road Map to Health Care website is sponsored by The HealthCare Foundation for Orange County in partnership with The California Endowment Foundation, St. Joseph Hospital, Children and Families Commission and Info Link Orange County.

Background: The Road Map to Health Care partners sought to replicate the Network of Care online community for healthcare services. To low-income, uninsured and under insured families in Orange County, the healthcare system can be confusing and difficult to access. This issue has been brought home, graphically, to Orange County healthcare providers twice in the last five years, as the community mourned the loss of two toddlers, each dying from preventable illness at the hands of unlicensed healthcare providers. One was treated at a “backdoor” pharmacy with expired medications. One child’s death is one too many; yet, each year children and parents in Orange County are at risk of such treatment, or neglect of health concerns.

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