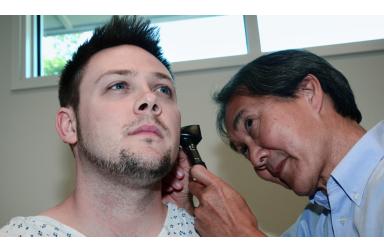
# What Makes the Providers in Our Network Special?



#### They know health isn't just about



## Being Passionate About What You Do

CareOregon's network of providers is made up of passionate, committed providers like Dr. Kenneth Rhee of La Clinica del Valle, in Medford. He says, "I dreamed about changing the world...All my life has been a preparation for this job...What a lucky person I am to have a chance to work where I work"

Who wouldn't want a doctor that is that enthusiastic about his patients, from serving the underserved to transforming health care? And Dr. Rhee, as special as he is, is just one of the many outstanding providers in CareOregon's network.

#### **Transforming Health Care**

More than ever before, providers like Dr. Rhee are critical to the future of health care. He sees the importance of linking primary care with behavioral health and creating a medical home as a crucial part of health care transformation.

And community partnerships are central to this effort.

"CareOregon...has been willing to take risks with us," says Rhee about the importance of innovating delivery systems.

"We've got a partnership with CareOregon to help us do that."

health care. They believe everyone deserves the right care at the right time. They make a difference in the community. And they are just plain fun!





### Understanding the Membership

La Clinica del Valle serves primarily Medicaid or uninsured patients, and Dr. Rhee says some people see this population as different from commercially insured patients. While in general he believes this isn't the case, he does see one difference. "They care about what happens to them...and the risk/benefits. In that way they are more careful buyers and consumers of medical care than most Americans."

## Making a Better Life for Yourself and Others

According to Dr. Rhee this population is more appreciative of care and support. "Most of the doctors I know, if you say what was good about today, they'll say a patient actually thanked me...This is a privilege. It's for your heart and soul that you got to do this." To hear more about Dr. Rhee's passion for health care, go to www.careoregon.org/providers/shine.aspx. And learn how CareOregon is helping to make health care more about health by visiting www.careoregon.org/TransformingHealthcare.

