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For purposes of determining the number of employees in a group health benefit plan, Oregon law requires insurers and producers to follow specific guidance as outlined in Oregon Administrative Rule 836-053-0015. The number of employees reported on this form will help determine employer eligibility to purchase coverage in the small or large group market. Please complete this form and return it promptly to your producer or Kaiser Permanente sales executive.

SECTION 1 — GRO	UP INFORMATION			
Group name	Company address			
Renewal date	Billing address if different from above			
Group contact name				
Title	Email	Phone	Fax	
Producer name				

SECTION 2 — DETERMINING GROUP SIZE UNDER OREGON LAW

- Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 836-015-0015 establishes the method for defining a small employer. This rule and its Exhibit provide specific details about how to count employees toward the small and large group size thresholds.
- Generally speaking, a small employer in Oregon is one that employed (on average, during the prior calendar year) 1–50 full-time employees, including full-time-equivalent employees. A prescribed calculation determines the number of full-time and full-time-equivalent employees. Companies with a common owner or that are otherwise related under certain rules of Section 414 of the Internal Revenue Code are generally combined and treated as a single group.
- To be considered a small employer under Oregon law (OAR 836-053-0015), the employer must employ at least one common law employee who is enrolled on the plan at the beginning of the plan year.
- For more information on how to count employees toward the 1–50 threshold, which employees to count, and how to identify controlled groups, refer to any of these sources:
 - o OAR 836-053-0015 and Exhibit B to OAR 836-053-0015. (Search for this OAR at <u>https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/</u> processLogin.action)
 - o IRS Publication, "Determining if an Employer is an Applicable Large Employer" <u>www.irs.gov/affordable-care-act/</u> <u>employers/determining-if-an-employer-is-an-applicable-large-employer</u>
 - o You may also refer to **healthcare.gov** or your legal counsel for information on calculating the number of full-time, full-time-equivalent, and eligible employees.
 - o An employee is considered a common law employee if the employer has the authority to direct and control the manner in which the services are performed by the individual; they perform services for the firm under an employer-employee relationship but they are not an owner, partner in the firm, independent contractor, or its sole proprietor or their spouse. For more information, see Exhibit B to OAR 836-053-0015 (search for this OAR at <u>https://secure.sos.state.or.us/</u> <u>oard/processLogin.action</u>).

SECTION 3 — EMPLOYER INFORMATION (Use references outlined in Section 2 to answer these questions)

- 1. Are you part of a controlled group? Yes No (For controlled groups, answers to questions 2 and 3 should include all subsidiaries to the controlled group.)
 - a. If you are a controlled group, who is the employer for the purposes of filing taxes? ____
- 2. How many full-time and full-time-equivalent employees did you employ during the prior calendar year? ____
- 3. Will there be at least one common law employee enrolled on the plan at the beginning of the plan year? (Answering "no" to this question indicates the employer is not eligible to purchase a group health plan as an Oregon small employer. See the last bullet in Section 2 for specific detail.) Yes No

To the best of my knowledge, I certify that all the information contained herein is correct. I understand that the final rates will be based on actual enrollment and that additional information may be required to verify eligibility of the group.

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Title ___

_ Date ___