

## Senate Bill 1515: You're Invited!

You are invited to the next Senate Bill (SB) 1515 stakeholder meeting on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 from 10am to Noon in room 137 A&B in the Barbara Roberts Human Services Building (500 Summer Street NE) in Salem, Oregon. If you cannot attend in person please join us by calling 1-888-278-0296 using participant code 711085.

Nearly two weeks into the implementation of SB 1515, DHS staff continues to work diligently in refining the processes needed to increase oversight and communication regarding child caring agencies (CCAs) serving children and youth. The safety and well-being of children and youth remains a priority for the Department.

The purpose of the upcoming stakeholder meeting is to gather feedback regarding SB 1515 temporary rules adopted by the Department of Human Services (DHS) on July 1, 2016. It's crucial DHS hear from our community partners, providers, CCAs and the public regarding the proposed changes required in SB 1515.

Please review the rules (available at <https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/CHILDREN/Pages/sb1515.aspx>) and bring your questions and feedback. After the meeting the Department will continue to refine the rules and will release updated drafts in the upcoming months. Stakeholders will have several opportunities to comment before the rules are permanently adopted in November 2016.

Also new, please see the updated rule writing schedule now available. <https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/CHILDREN/sb1515/rule-writing-schedule.pdf>

I appreciate your partnership in helping DHS increase its coordination and vigor as we work to maintain a culture focused on safety, permanency, well-being and the individual needs of the children and youth we serve.

Sincerely,  
Clyde Saiki