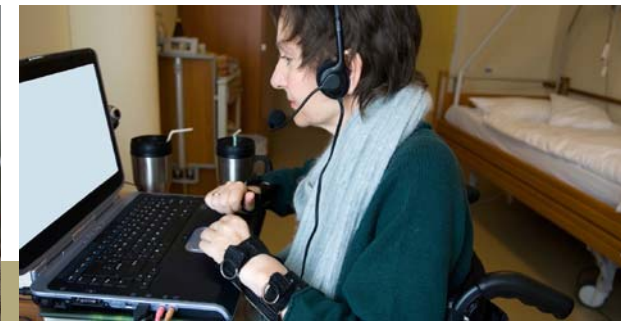


CAF Summary

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Self Sufficiency programs: Helping families and individuals in need

- The economic crisis has the greatest effect on low-income families.
 - Demand for services across all programs continues to increase as the crisis expands.
 - Self Sufficiency programs are a primary part of the safety net for very-low-income families.
 - Reduced availability of job opportunities limits the capacity of families and individuals on public assistance programs to leave and transition to independence.
- Current staff shortages and reduced program resources significantly challenge capacity to meet basic needs of growing client populations.
- The ability of the TANF programs to meet stabilization and self-sufficiency goals of HB 2469 for families is greatly diminished.

Child Welfare: Keeping vulnerable children safe

- Adequate supports for child and family services, such as TANF and addiction and mental health treatment, prevent the need for Child Welfare services
- Child Welfare provides critical in- and out-of-home services to protect our most vulnerable children who have been abused and neglected
- Limited capacity of in-home services and addiction treatment for parents impacts ability to keep children safely at home with their parents
- Capacity of system, staff (field and program) and key partners (caregivers, providers, attorneys and CASAs) is stretched thin
- Frequent policy and program changes impact ability to sustain strategic improvement efforts

Program Support and Administration

- The Workload Staffing models are designed to provide accurate and current information that compares staff resources to required workload.
 - Child Welfare programs currently are staffed at approximately 81 percent of workload needs.
 - Self Sufficiency programs currently are staffed at approximately 59 percent of workload needs and have significantly growing caseloads.
- Staffing levels have a direct impact on CAF staff's ability to provide necessary and timely services to Oregonians.
- Transformation efforts are critical to improving the efficiency with which programs are delivered and helping bridge the resource gap.

OQRS

- OQRS has developed a strategic road map to enhance funding and increase employment outcomes
- More than 3,000 Oregonians with disabilities are waiting for services from OQRS
- OQRS currently lacks sufficient funding to meet the need

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