



# Oregon Lifespan Respite SUMMIT

***PAVING THE WAY FOR THE FUTURE OF RESPITE CARE IN OREGON***

**Tuesday, May 5, 2009**

**9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Barbara Roberts Building, Salem, Oregon**

**This is your opportunity to be part of the think tank and make a difference in respite care for Oregon.**

The Oregon Lifespan Respite Care Program will host a lunch and workday for key stakeholders. We will:

- Explore possibilities for enhancing respite care services in Oregon
- Learn about the Federal Lifespan Respite Law, and
- Develop a plan to prepare Oregon to apply for this funding.

Special Guest: **Jill Kagan**, Chair, National Respite Coalition, Washington, DC



For lodging, parking and more information visit: [www.oregon.gov/DHS/resp/resp/resp-summit.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/resp/resp/resp-summit.shtml)

Please forward this announcement to appropriate parties in your community.



**WHAT:** OREGON LIFESPAN RESPITE SUMMIT

**WHEN:** Tuesday, May 5, 2009  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Barbara Roberts Building  
500 Summer Street NE, Room 137 A-D  
Salem, OR 97301

**WHO:** Families and members from various representatives for our respite partnerships who represent the families, providers, state and local agencies, faith communities, health services, academic institutions, non-profit organizations, etc. . .

**WHY:** An opportunity for community partners around the State to increase awareness of the Oregon Lifespan Respite Care program, and bring a renewed and continuing commitment to respite care services for families across Oregon. Participants will have a better understanding of the barriers for local Lifespan Respite Care Networks, and participate in the development of a more comprehensive plan for enhancing the program. Participants will also learn about the Federal Lifespan Respite Law, and develop a plan to prepare for this new funding.

**BACKGROUND:** Research has shown that family and primary caregivers who take a break from their constantly demanding role caring for children and adults with special needs not only stay healthier, but are also able to prevent early institutionalization of their loved ones. For those and many other research-based benefits, Oregon pioneered the nation in establishing the Oregon Lifespan Respite Care Program in 1997. Local Lifespan Respite Care Networks were established to help families and caregivers find quality respite care and related services in their local communities. The State legislature further strengthened support for the program in 2007.

Funding provided through the Department of Human Services has been for the administrative costs of start-up for the local partners. The Department has reached the goal of creating a local structure to serve all 36 counties; however, respite services have not been consistent for family caregivers in every county due to various systemic and funding reasons.

**RSVP:** Registration can be made by completing this registration form ([link to pdf form](#)) and mail (500 Summer Street NE, E17, Salem, OR 97301), or fax (503-378-6532), or email ([may.martin@state.or.us](mailto:may.martin@state.or.us)) as an attachment to May Martin. Contact May Martin at (503) 947-2318 if you have questions. Please be sure to indicate your choice of lunch when registering. A parking pass may be provided upon request.

**COST:** None.

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# OREGON LIFESPAN RESPITE SUMMIT AGENDA

With generous support from the ARCH National Respite Coalition and the Langeloth Foundation

## **9:00 A.M. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

- ✓ DHS Director – Dr. Bruce Goldberg (15 min.)
- ✓ Oregon Lifespan Respite Care (LRC) – May Martin (10 min.)  
(Oregon's LRC Program, accomplishments, and goals)
- ✓ Inclusive Childcare Program / Oregon LRC Advisory Council Chair – Terry Butler (10 min.)  
(Oregon's LRC Program History)

## **9:45 A.M. RESPITE...THREE CAREGIVERS' PERSPECTIVES**

- ✓ Grandmother of a child with autism – Chris Larson (10 min.)
- ✓ Someone caring for an individual with mental health disorder – TBD (10 min.)
- ✓ Husband of a wife with Alzheimer's – Chuck Shirley (10 min.)

## **10:15 A.M. BREAK**

## **10:30 A.M. UNDERSTANDING THE LIFESPAN RESPITE LAW, MODELS OF STATEWIDE LIFESPAN RESPITE PROGRAMS, AND HOW THEY WORK IN CONCERT WITH STATEWIDE COALITIONS**

- Jill Kagan, Nation Respite Coalition Chair

## **11:30 A.M. GOALS FOR THE AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES**

- Jill Kagan, Nation Respite Coalition Chair

## **NOON LUNCH**

## **1:30 P.M. OREGON THINK TANK: FACILITATED BREAKOUT GROUPS**

## **2:15 P.M. BREAK**

## **2:30 P.M. REPORT BACK**

## **3:15 – 4:00 P.M. NEXT STEPS/SET GOALS**



## REGISTRATION OREGON LIFESPAN RESPITE SUMMIT

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*(Complete the registration form below and submit it by April 17, 2009)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*(One registration form per attendee)*

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ — \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARKING PASS:** Yes  No

**LUNCH:** Please indicate your choice for a vegetarian or non-vegetarian below.

**VEGETARIAN**

**NON-VEGETARIAN**

**Mail or fax registration form to:**

Oregon Lifespan Respite Care, **Attn:** May Martin, 500 Summer Street NE, E-17, Salem, OR 97301

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