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Update For: 23-25 Equity and Racial Justice Policy

Message:

Good afternoon CAA Network,

We are following up on the previous request in which, as part of the 2023-25 MGA IR process (required documents), OHCS had required that agencies develop and implement an Equity and Racial Justice Policy.

Based on continued discussions, internal work being developed, and feedback from the CAA network around this policy, the requirements, and whether or not OHCS is striking the appropriate balance in tone, we have elected to no longer require this policy for the current fiscal biennium. As we gain more understanding and have further information, we will follow up with you all. We appreciate your continued patience with us and appreciate the work that you all do to serve our most vulnerable populations.

If you have any comments or questions related to the Equity and Racial Justice Policy, please send them to: hsd.homelesservices@hcs.oregon.gov